WEATHER REPORT.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.—San Francisco and Vicinity: Fair this p. m., tonight; cloudy Sunday; light northerly changing to southerly wind.

Northern California: Fair this p. m., and Sunday; slight N to S wind.

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COMMITTEE OF 28 WILL TAKE CHARGE OF THE CAMPAIGN.

They Accept the Trust and Will Work Diligently for the Best Interests of the Republican Party and the City.

Nearly all the members of the new Republican City Central Committee have been interviewed and their statements as to the circumstances attending their appointment are an absolute refutation of the malignant libel put forth by Henry P. Dalton.

In effect, Dalton charged the great body of the Committee with being corruptionists. It is impossible that any body of men could have been corruptly selected to carry out a corrupt purpose unless they were personally corrupt and were appointed pursuant to a corrupt understanding previously established. Indeed, the call issued for a meeting of Dalton's adherents makes the specific charge that the Committee has been constituted for an especial corrupt purpose.

It is a direct assault upon the personal integrity of every man not allied with the Dalton faction.

The object of this was to bully men into declining to act, or in other words, stink them off the Committee.

A more dastardly scheme to restore lost political control to a dethroned boss was never devised or exploited in any community.

The interviews of the Committeemen are a complete answer to the Dalton libel.

They were appointed without consultation and without suggestion or pledge.

They were not even requested to serve and have never been asked to commit themselves to any program or policy.

They were simply appointed as well known members of the Republican party and left free to act as their judgment might direct or as circumstances might dictate as proper.

Never was a committee selected that was freer from anything in the shape of a combine than this one.

Only one thing appeared from its make-up, namely, that Henry P. Dalton could not control it.

For that reason and that alone it was damned as corrupt by the man who has more than once declared himself to be bigger than the Republican party.

A careful reading of the interviews will show the unfounded character of the vile calumny hurled at the men who have dared to act in Republican politics in a manner that did not coincide with Dalton's wishes nor seem to advance his political aspirations. Every man who supported Victor H. Metcalf in the Republican primaries is singled out and stigmatized as a scoundrel and a traitor to the municipality.

Read what Giles H. Gray, W. R. Davis, M. C. Chapman, C. T. Rudolph, John O. Cadman, Henry Evers, W. T. Veitch and others of that stamp have to say and see whether the wholesale charge of corruption hurled against men of such high business and professional standing should go unrebuked:

Is obedience to Henry P. Dalton to be accepted as the sole test of personal honor and fitness for office?

The interviews printed below give the answer:

GILES H GRAY.

GILES H. GRAY—I do not know of any good reason why I should not serve as a member of the Committee of 28. Several people have called on me and tried to get me to resign from the Committee. I told them I could not see any reason why I should resign, but on the contrary, I knew of many potent reasons why I should serve on the committee. The charges of bribery that have been made are preposterous. I do not believe there is one word of truth in them. Why, who is going to pay $5,000 for the vote of a committeeman. From my own investigation and from what I have heard I believe that the bribery charges are utterly without foundation. I believe it is my duty as a Republican and a good citizen to participate in the deliberations of the Committee of 28 I shall take such action as in my judgment will be for the best interests of the Republican party and redound, to the benefit of the city. We want to put a ticket in the field that will commend itself to the people and one that will stand for good government. There is no reason why the Committee of 28 should not proceed with the business in hand. I may add that I did not know I was going to be a member of the Committee until after the appointment had been made and I read the same in the newspapers.

M. C. CHAPMAN.

M. C. CHAPMAN—My opinion is that it is the manifest duty of the Committee of Twenty-eight to go on and by every honorable means endeavor to secure an honest and economical administration for this city. It is now too late to protest against the delegation of power to this Committee by the City Committee. That scheme was inaugurated many years ago by the very gentlemen who are now protesting against it, and has been continued by them so long and so persistently that they are now estopped from asserting its illegality or impropriety.

In 1893 the gentlemen who are now protesting secured the control of municipal affairs in this city by false pretenses and misrepresentations. They succeeded in inducing the people to believe that their predecessors in office were wilfully and corruptly extravagant, and while they failed to point to any evidences whatever of corruption or extravagance, so persistent were they in asserting that the people were being robbed that their statements were believed in and relied upon, and thereby they were given power and put into control of the city government. The result was that the first reform administration, that of Mr. Pardee, cost the city on an average, during his term of office, $213,000 more than that of the preceding administration, and that without any public improvements whatever, and with less material furnished for and work done on the public streets than before, and no visible or tangible advantage to the taxpayer can be discovered from this enormous increase of the burden of taxation resulting to the people of this community from the administration of this conspicuous reformer.

Since that time we have had two other administrations in which the reform element had unlimited control of the affairs of the city, both of which have been almost as conspicuous for their extravagance as that of the Pardee administration.

These two latter administrations were not quite so expensive to the city, but then it must be remembered that the two Mayors representing these administrations were not so ardent reformers as was the Doctor.

In the face of these and a thousand other facts that might be mentioned, and the record for extravagance that these reformers (?) have left behind them, it is highly improbable that the people will take any stock in the bogus and insincere cry of these gentlemen for honest government and municipal reform.

The affidavits of Lukens and Dalton are absurd upon their face, and so silly as to excite the merriment of the community. Nobody could believe them without first getting pretty drunk. But if they are true it does not lie in the mouth of Mr. Lukens to impeach Mr. Long, the City Central Committee, or Judge Nusbaumer. A gentleman who would pay from five to seven thousand dollars to secure his election as State Senator from the Twenty-eighth Senatorial District for a petty office yielding only an insignificant total salary of $960, and who by the use of money influenced hundreds if not thousands of votes in the recent election, should not complain of the fact, if it be a fact, that his own methods were pursued in securing one vote on the City Central Committee, while Mr. Dalton's prodigality in the same direction when he was a candidate for Congress in his endeavor to secure the seat of Mr. Metcalf before he had hardly become installed in office should likewise impel him to at least a slight degree of modesty in attributing improper motives to others.

We should have an administration of the city government that should be strong enough to secure to the people of this community reasonable water rates. We should have a thorough, business-like administration so that the affairs of the city will be conducted upon business principles in every respect and particularly with reference to water rates. The real animus of the opposition to the Committee of Twenty-eight is the disappointed ambition of political schemers who have been "weighed in the balance and found wanting."

In response, therefore, to your question as to whether I will consent to serve on the Committee, I will say that the Committee having been, in my judgment, purified by three resignations, I now know of no reason why I should not serve, and consequently will consent to do so.

WILLIAM R DAVIS.

WILLIAM R. DAVIS—I was appointed without being consulted, and since my appointment have had no conversation with other members of the Committee. I have received no suggestion from any source as to what course it was intended to pursue, consequently cannot say what action will be taken when the Committee meets. I have been so busy with University matters that I have given very little thought to local politics—have thought very little on the subject, to tell the truth. I presume some policy or line of action will be developed after the Committee organizes, but as yet I am entirely ignorant of the wishes and views of the other members.

GEORGE W. REED.

GEO. W. REED—I have been asked if I would serve on the Committee of 28 recently appointed by the late City Central Committee. As I believe this to be a movement in the direction of prosperity for Oakland, I will accept the appointment and will gladly do anything in my power to assist in the nomination of a good progressive set of men as candidates for the various offices. I think it is about time that some energy should be exerted by the good people of this city in advancing the interests of the city, instead of advancing the political aspirations of Dalton, Pardee & Co. We need good streets and crossings, parks and boulevards, and other public improvements much more than we need to continue Mr Dalton, Mr. Breed, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Dow and other reformers in office, and much more than we need Mr. Pardee for Governor. For the past ten years the citizens of Oakland under the guise of great reforms have done nothing but boost into office these political reformers, and this will continue unless something is done to prevent it. It is high time that all good citizens should unite in doing something for Oakland, and let these political demagogues get out and earn their living as the balance of us have to.

CHARLES YATES

CHARLES YATES—I desire to say that I have received a card notifying me of my appointment as a member of the Committee of Twenty-eight. The first knowledge that I had of the appointment was through the newspapers. Nobody had informed me of my intended appointment and nobody had, in any manner consulted me about it. I saw also that W. T. Veitch had been appointed and I told him that I thought we were "in it." He also said that he knew nothing about the appointment until he had read of it in the papers. I told him that I did not know what was to be done but that I thought we ought to investigate it. I am a citizen and a tax-payer and I am in favor of protecting myself as a citizen and a tax-payer. If I am to help in the nomination of delegates from my ward who will be in favor of good government, I would be a fool to say that I could not do so.

EMIL NUSBAUMER.

EMIL NUSBAUMER—I am for Oakland and everything that will benefit Oakland. I am against all policies that would continue our present stagnant condition. I am against any and all persons who have brought about such conditions. I am and always have been for the Republican party and amongst its ranks are found the enterprising and progressive men of our nation and city. The twenty-eight men selected, the public know, will not be controlled by any motive or interest except he good of the city of Oakland and of the Republican party.

W. T. VEITCH.

W. T. VEITCH—While I am strongly opposed to the notoriety of being quoted in the public prints, still there are some things in connection with the present controversy that strike me as funny and in the light of events as extremely inconsistent. I have been notified that I have been appointed a member of the Committee of 28 and I will gladly serve in that capacity. While I favor primaries, still I am satisfied that just as good work can be accomplished by the committee plan in a local campaign as by a primary system. If my memory serves me correctly it was two years ago when a committee representing the Municipal League met at Masonic Temple behind closed doors and nominated a ticket which was subsequently elected. There was no objection then about the plan and the voters approved it. I was a delegate to the Municipal League convention referred to. As I said before, while I am partial to primaries, still I know that the same ends can be accomplished by a conscientious committee working for the best interests of the city and the Republican party, which I know the Committee of 28 will do.

DR. CHARLES T. RODOLPH.

DR. CHARLES T. RODOLPH—My appointment as a member of the Committee of 28 came to me as a surprise. The first information I had on the subject was when I read it in the newspapers. I propose to attend the meetings and serve on the Committee. I propose to do my duty and take such action as will further the interests of the Republican party and the city. We can accomplish a great deal of good in this city, and as a member of the Committee of 28 I will do my best to bring about the best results possible.

GEORGE ADAMS.

GEORGE ADAMS—I was somewhat surprised to find myself on that committee of twenty-eight. I never had any inkling about it until I saw last Wednesday night's papers. Even then I did didn't think any more about it until I met a friend on Broadway next day, and when he told me about it, I went so far as to suggest that I did not like to stand for it, because, to tell the horest truth I did not want to get into politics. But this morning I received official notification that I was selected as a member of the committee, and this being the case, and in view of my belief that I regard it the duty of every citizen to do what he can for good government, why I am going to go ahead and serve when the Committee meets. I'll be on hand to do my duty to the best of my ability. So far as this talk of a "job" is concerned, I don't take any stock in that kind of talk. I was on the same committee four years ago and I helped select seven men and there wasn't any such fuss about it then and we didn't ask them either who they would vote for in convention. There'll be no jobbery in any committee I am on, for if I should discover that an attempt was made at jobbery, I would simply get out. I believe in putting up for office the best business men in the community; men who have some sound interest at stake in our city and not men who are in San Francisco all day and then come over here to insist on running things to suit themselves.

WILLES WHITMORE.

WILLES WHITMORE—I am in favor of good government. I did not seek appointment on the Committee of 28 I think I will accept the appointment and act. We want a ticket that will be a credit to the city; one that will be a credit to the Republican party. It is my purpose to work hard with that end in view. I am absolutely unpledged and I haven't hardly a candidate in view.

J. H. M'MENOMY.

J. H. McMENOMY—This will be the second election which has been held since this part of the city (Golden Gate) was annexed to Oakland. I realize that we need and ought to have good officials, and if my services are desired in helping to get good officials I am willing to give them. I did not know that I was to be selected on this committee. Nobody had spoken to me of it. I was told on my way to San Francisco that my name had appeared in the newspapers as having been appointed a member of the nominating committee. I then looked up the papers and found my name there. Since then I have received a notification from the secretary of the Republican City Central Committee I intend to act, and I intend to do so to the best of my ability. I have no doubt that delegations of good men can be selected who will be in favor of good city government and put in nomination a good ticket.

C. E. COTTON.

C. E. COTTON—I have not been notified of my appointment on the Committee of Twenty-eight, consequently I know nothing about it, and at this time I do not care to. If it should happen that I am appointed I do not care to say now whether I will serve or not.

PHILIP WALSH.

PHILIP M. WALSH—I will most certainly accept the honor of serving on the Committee of Twenty-eight. My appointment came to me without any solicitation and I had no idea that I was to be named until I read of it in the papers. Nevertheless it will be a pleasure for me to do my part in whatever proceedings are necessary to select a first-class Republican municipal ticket. I will favor men, however, who have their business interests in Oakland. I believe the selection of the committee is a good move, barring, of course, the selection of myself as a member.

THEODORE F. MOCK.

T. F. MOCK—I am not at this time prepared to give any opinion as to the action of the City Central Committee in selecting a Committee of Twenty-eight to supervise the calling of the city convention. My appointment as one of that committee was a complete surprise to me, as I had not at any time been spoken to by anyone in regard to the matter, and, in fact, did not have any idea that such a committee would be appointed. I can see no reason why this committee as it is constituted should not, through a properly called convention, present as clean and progressive a ticket as has ever been presented to the people of Oakland. I shall accept the trust and use my best energies to present a ticket acceptable to the people. In conclusion I must say that no man or men in this city know my views upon any of the questions which are now before the people of this city, nor do they know my attitude towards any of the candidates.

WILLIAM LONG.

WILLIAM LONG—I have never aspired for any political honors, either for office or on any committee, and if a job has been put up to name me on the committee of twenty-eight, I think it's a joke. Probably this talk I read about concerning jobbery is simply the talk of some faction that has been crowded from the stage of active usefulness. Some of the old fellows probably got rather stale at politics, and the people want something of a change this time. I received official notice from Secretary Merritt yesterday afternoon, that I was named on the committee, and while I don't say that I was surprised, I hadn't any previous knowledge of the affair. Now if everything is conducted along straight lines I propose to work tooth and nail for the best interests of my ward and the city. I consider it an honor to be placed on such a committee. Of course I have no idea of what will be proposed, but I propose to do my duty. I am a firm believer in a straight Republican ticket this time. Just what will be done, though, I don't know. I have heard of no propositions and no one has discussed the matter with me.

J. O CADMAN.

J. O. CADMAN—I have not as yet received any notification of my appointment on the Committee of Twenty-eight. I have, though, seen my name, among others, as a member of the committee. I am satisfied that a good municipal ticket can be put up by a convention formed in the manner proposed, and I think I shall accept the appointment. I don't want to discuss the matter further now. I have no preference for any candidate for office at the coming election.

R. P. BROMLEY.

R. P. BROMLEY—I am too ill to give this matter any thought just now. I only know I was named as one of the committeemen, and I don't see any reason why I should not serve.

R. S LECKIE.

R. S. LECKIE—I am entirely in sympathy with the appointment of the committee of twenty-eight, of which I understand, I have been named as a member. I believe it is the best thing that has ever been done for the local Republican party. So far as I have been able to learn none of those named on the committee solicited the appointment. In every case the honor was volunteered. That in itself is the best evidence that the committee was selected without an idea of slate or program. At this time I can honestly state that the only expression of the members with whom I have talked is a desire to select representative men to manage Oakland's government.

JOHN BONHAM.

JOHN BONHAM—Yes I see that I

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SHOT DEAD

A Clerk Murders the War Department Auditor.

Assasssin Then Cuts His Throat and Shoots Himself.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—P. H. Morris of Ohio, auditor of the War Department, was shot at 2:15 this afternoon in his office in the Winder Building by a man named McDonald, formerly a disbursing officer in the department.

Morris was shot through the heart and died almost instantly.

McDonald, who did the shooting, then cut his own throat and shot himself.

Before doing so he had a desperate affray with the watchman of the building, who tried to arrest him. The watchman was badly beaten about the head with the murderer's pistol.

Samuel McDonald, who did the killing, had been the second disburser's clerk in Morris' office, but had been reduced. It is said that brooding over this led to the tragedy. Morris had been auditor for the Navy Department, but was transferred to the present post a year ago, on account of his good record.

McDonald was taken to the Emergency Hospital and was still alive at 330 o'clock. The pistol had entered his left breast near the heart, but the doctors had been unable to trace it. The gash in his throat was ghastly, but it was not known whether it would result fatally. McDonald is from Ohio.

MORRIS' PROMINENCE.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Dec. 22.—The home of Frank H. Morris, who was shot and killed in Washington this morning, was in this city. He was formerly engaged in business here and had for a long time been recognized as a prominent and leading Republican. Mr. Morris was about 50 years old.

LITTLE ONES DIE IN FLAMES

Four Children Burned to Death on a Ranch Near San Jose.

SAN JOSE, Dec. 22.—The residence of Conrad Ruff, located north of town, was destroyed by fire this morning.

Four young children perished in the flames. Two others, together with Mr. Ruff and a hired man, were severely burned. The dead are:

Carl, aged 11.

Barbara, aged 8.

Katie, aged 10.

Conrad, Jr., aged 5.

The injured: George Ruff, aged 12, badly burned about the feet, head and hands, will recover.

Mary Ruff, aged 12, probably fatally burned on head, legs and abdomen.

Conrad Ruff, the father, head, face and arms burned.

B. Valdz, slightly burned.

Ruff conducts a dairy north of town. At 2 o'clock this morning he and the hired man, Valdz, were milking in the barn, the rest of the family being asleep in the house. A gasoline stove which had been left burning in the kitchen exploded, and in an instant the house was a seething mass of flames.

Ruff and Valdz beat in the front door with an ax and succeeded in rescuing Mrs. Ruff and an infant child uninjured. They rescued two of the remaining six children, not, however, until they were badly burned, so rapidly did the flames spread. The other four were crushed by a falling chimney, and after the fire nothing but scattered bits of their remains could be found.

Both Ruff and Valdz were badly burned. It is feared Mrs. Ruff will lose her reason from the terrible shock.

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COMMITTEE OF 28 WILL TAKE CHARGE

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am one of the committee of twenty-eight, but I really don't know as yet what it is all about. I'll tell you how I've been fixed—I haven't had a chance to discuss or even think about the matter. To be frank with you, I did not know I was named on that committee until 9 o'clock the next morning. I don't know now whether it's so. I've been attending to a contract out at Point Richmond. But I can say this much that if I am on that committee I propose to see that honest men will be put up for office and in every case a tax-payer or property owner if possible. Put taxpayers in; men who are interested in Oakland's future. I think it is about time that this is done. So far as I am concerned no one has consulted me in relation to this new committee. As for me serving on that committee, I certainly shall accept the appointment. I think that is the duty of a tax-payer.

As to what course I shall pursue at the committee meeting, I don't know just what it will be, for I must first study the situation, when I get there. And if good men are suggested for office I shall favor them. But I shall not support a man who would not advance this city's best interests. I would vote only for men who have substantial interests in this city, not for people whose interests are in San Francisco and who only sleep here.

HENRY EVERS.

HENRY EVERS—I have no program and have no idea what will be done till the Committee meets. I have had no talk with any other member of the Committee, therefore cannot say what their views are. I shall attend the meeting unless something occurs to change my mind. I am willing to meet any or all of the gentlemen named and join them in promoting the welfare of Oakland and the success of the Republican party. I was not consulted prior to my appointment, and nobody has suggested any line of action since I was appointed. I was never asked to pledge myself in any particular, was not even asked if I would serve. Under the circumstances I am in perfect liberty to act according to my best judgment. If the other members of the Committee are like myself their actions will be absolutely free and untrammeled. I have heard of no program and no one has discussed with me any possible candidates. Not knowing what the others will do, I cannot say what I will do until the Committee meets and organizes. So far as I can see it is composed of excellent material, and I see no reason why it should not act to the satisfaction of the Republican voters. As I did not know how I came to be selected, I cannot tell how the others came to be selected. I do not know what members are friendly to Mr. Dalton and what members are not. There, you see I know nothing about it.

A E WILKINSON.

A. E. WILKINSON—I know absolutely nothing of my appointment on the Committee of Twenty-eight until I noticed same in the newspapers. I have been too busy thus far to give the matter much thought and have not discussed the situation with anyone. However, my present intention is to accept the appointment, as I would be willing to co-operate with such men as Davis, Chapman and Reed, all of whom I have known for over twenty years, and whom I have always regarded as clean and brainy men.

W P. COURTNEY.

W. P. COURTNEY—This thing came like a thunderbolt to me. I was surprised to see my name in the paper. That was the first I knew about it. I have always been a Republican. I have never voted for anything large that was not Republican, and in national affairs I have always voted the Republican ticket. In local affairs I have always been independent, and in the last local election, not thinking that the Republicans were putting up exactly the right kind of men, I worked and voted for the Independent Republican nominees throughout. I am perfectly agreeable to act as one of the Committee of 28, and after considering all the names of that committee I feel that we can nominate an A No. 1 ticket which every good citizen can support. While no person has spoken to me since or before my appointment in regard to this committee, I want to say that two persons came to me and told me that they were offered nominations for city offices in the next city election by the Dalton faction, and they asked my advice in regard to accepting the same. I told them that, while a Republican nomination was almost equivalent to an election, the results of the last Congressional primary showed me that Dalton was not much thought of in the community, and further, that if the Dalton faction put up such men as they did at the last municipal election, I would use my influence with the Independent Republican Party Committee to place a ticket in the field at the coming election. So far as I am concerned, I want to see the city well governed by business men, and anything that I can do to attain that end will be cheerfully done, and especially so at the present time.

PAUL WUTHE.

PAUL WUTHE—If every member of the Committee of Twenty-eight was appointed as I was, the city of Oakland and the Republican party will have nothing to fear. I did not seek the appointment, knew nothing about it until after it was made, and I feel I can do what is right as a member. I will most certainly serve. I believe it to be my duty. There was an insinuation cast on the committee collectively. I take it as a personal insult, and for one will give our traducers the lie by working for the selection of a municipal ticket that will be a credit to Oakland and an honor to the Republican party. There are no strings on me. I have no axes to grind nor heads to chop off. It seems to make a difference whose ox is gored.

N S. DOUGLASS.

N. S. DOUGLASS—I do not think that I shall accept the appointment as a member of the Committee of Twenty-eight, and it would naturally follow, then, that I do not think that I shall serve on the Committee nor attend any of its meetings. Why? Oh, I don't know; but, really, I do not care to discuss the matter in any manner. I think that my statement that I will not accept the appointment covers the proposition.

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Alameda county, of course, like other parts of the State and country, has felt the effect of hard times, but she suffered less, perhaps, than any other part of the State. This peculiar exemption may be explained in a number of ways. It is probably due to the fact that Alameda county is blessed with a variety of resources more than to any other fact.

It is a well-accepted truth, in economics, that the more articles a man or section of the State has to sell, the more demands will be on it have to supply. Alameda county produces all kinds of fruits, for which she finds a mart at every place.

Her grapes she changes into wine, and for this she finds a market in all parts of the world. Her wine is not only popular at home and in places where wine cannot be produced, but it is also in demand in La Belle France, which is itself the home of the grape and of the most delicious wines. The revenue which the county derives from this source goes into a hundred channels of trade and industry throughout the county.

There are no cereals which are not produced in abundance in Alameda county, and the supply is so liberal that the excess must go abroad, and there it readily finds an open and a remunerative market.

The same is true of vegetables. The local markets are always supplied with the best of the products, and even then there is always a sufficiency to be sent outside as a means of attracting wealth to this county. What cannot be disposed of in the way of fruit and vegetables in bulk is placed in cans and canneries.

Then, again, Alameda has some of the largest coal mines on the Coast. These at Tesla are daily putting out hundreds of tons of this essential of the kitchen and manufactory. This fact keeps at home in Alameda county money which formerly went to British Columbia, the Eastern States and even to Australia. That money goes into general circulation through the county and is therefore like just so much money brought from without in the transaction of business.

In the manufacturing line there are stove factories, soap factories, machine shops, iron works, flour mills, planing mills, sugar mills, wire works, railroad shops, and many others in which hundreds of men are given employment. There is not a town scarcely in the county which has not within its limits or adjacent to it a manufactory of some kind. All of these are now hives of industry. They operate in a dual way to swell the volume of money in circulation in this county.

All of these facts tend to make the people happy and conduce to the business prosperity of Oakland to which all the towns of the county are tributary.

Trade and manufactures in this city have flourished during the past year, proof of which is found in various ways and especially in the standing of the banking establishments, all of which are doing a thriving business and have the unfaltering confidence of the people. A few of the leading features of the banks of this city here appended will therefore be read with interest.

OAKLAND BANK OF SAVINGS.

The showing of the Oakland Bank of Savings, which is situated at the northeast corner of Broadway and Twelfth street, will be found in another column. The figures speak for themselves. The deposits have reached the grand total of $6,250,003.99. The showing of bonds, cash, stock and warrants on hand, taken in conjunction with other facts argues a stability of the most assuring character. The total assets amount to $7,373,419.30.

The bank is about to enlarge its immense safety vault system, at an immense cost and on a great scale second to that of no other bank on the Pacific Coast.

UNION NATIONAL BANK.

The Union National Bank, with a capital of $150,000, a surplus of $130,261.74, located at the northwest corner of Twelfth and Broadway, Oakland, is one of the oldest banking institutions in the city, having been organized in June, 1875. This bank has always enjoyed the confidence of the community.

The report of the condition of the bank at the close of business December 13th is a most satisfactory one and will be found in another part of this issue of THE TRIBUNE. The officers are as follows: Thomas Prather, president; Edson F. Adams, vice-president; Charles E. Palmer, cashier; William H. High, assistant cashier; directors, Charles E. Palmer, Thomas Prather, R. S. Farrelly, Edson F. Adams, Shelby F. Martin, John Charles Adams.

UNION SAVINGS BANK.

The Union Savings Bank is one of the oldest banks in Oakland. It has had a most remarkable success under a line of astute financiers who were able to keep abreast of the times and avail themselves of the most favorable opportunities for the prudent investment of its funds in their charge. A few years ago the interior of the bank underwent a radical change. Most beautiful metallic railings were introduced, with counters and wainscotting of onyx and marble, rendering the place as rich and attractive as that of any bank in the State. It is now being frescoed in a most beautiful and elaborate manner.

The Union Savings Bank does a general banking; business, savings and commercial, in all commercial centers, and carries it on in so great a volume as to prove the confidence of the public which it enjoys.

The past year has been one of the most successful which the bank has ever known. The year has generally been a prosperous one in all lines of business, but especially so with the Union Savings Bank, which is an evidence of good management and the confidence of the people. The number of depositors and commercial patrons has increased and the bank will be found equal to all conditions of time and trade.

The capital stock, fully paid up, is $300,000 and the surplus is $115,000. The bank has the experience of age and the advantages of well-balanced youthful energy in all transactions in which prudent men would take part. The new president is Wm. G. Henshaw, who recently attained to that position through the death of the late J. West Martin, who for years was the president of the bank. Mr. Henshaw has filled the place of vice-president of the bank for over ten years.

The present officers are as follows:

Wm. G. Henshaw, president; Charles E. Palmer, vice-president; A. E. H. Cramer, cashier; board of directors, Wm. G. Henshaw, Thomas Prather, R. S. Farrelly, C. E. Palmer, H. W. Meek, Herman Tubbs, Thomas Crellin, Shelby F. Martin, F. W. Henshaw, A. E. H. Cramer and George E. Grant.

The bank is situated on the southeast corner of Broadway and Ninth streets.

FARMERS AND MERCHANTS.

The Farmers' and Merchants' Savings Bank has been doing business in this city since November, 1892. Since that time it has grown to be a bank with an established reputation for conservatism and stability, characteristics which are always appreciated by people who desire to hoard their savings, or who are engaged in commercial pursuits.

The patronage which the bank enjoys is drawn from all sections of Alameda and Contra Costa counties, and embraces men and women in all branches of industry and professional and manufacturing life. Its management is in the hands of men who for years have been identified with the material advancement of this community. They are all men of liberal wealth, and a number of them have independent fortunes. At their head, as president, is Edson F. Adams, one of the foremost financiers and most progressive men of this city. He has done a great deal in the development of the lands of Alameda county, as he has also in that of the commercial advantages of this city. Under his management the Farmers and Merchants' Bank has attained to a most enviable condition among the financial institutions of the Coast.

The bank has the exclusive right, in this county and also in Contra Costa county, to the use of the Burns-Barclay Auxiliary Bank, which has been employed with so much satisfaction in many of the leading banks in the East. The bank is situated at 1103 Broadway, is well supplied with all the modern appliances for the safety of money and securities, and is right in the heart of the business district, where it is readily accessible to patrons from the adjoining towns, as it is also to those of this city. The officers and directors are as follows:

Edson F. Adams, president; C. E. Palmer, vice-president; James C. McKee, cashier; directors—R. S. Farrelly, San Leandro; A. W. Schafer, Mt. Eden; Samuel Bell McKee, Oakland; William H. Taylor, Oakland; John Charles Adams, Oakland; H. F. Gordon, Oakland; Frank S. Osgood, Oakland; W. H. Frank S. Osgood, Oakland; W. H. Bailey, Oakland, and Edson F. Adams, Oakland.

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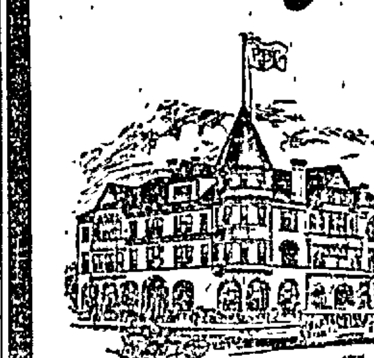
The Leading Business and Shorthand School



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To Business Men.
We supply business men with competent help free of charge, and exercise the utmost care in making selections. We have a long distance telephone in our office. Our number is Blue 775. Parties anywhere in the State can call us up at any time.

The New Term.
The first week in January will be opening week of the new term. No better time can be selected to enter the College and begin active work. The College, however, is in session the entire year, and students can enter at any time.

Our graduates go direct to positions in Oakland, San Francisco, and all over the coast.

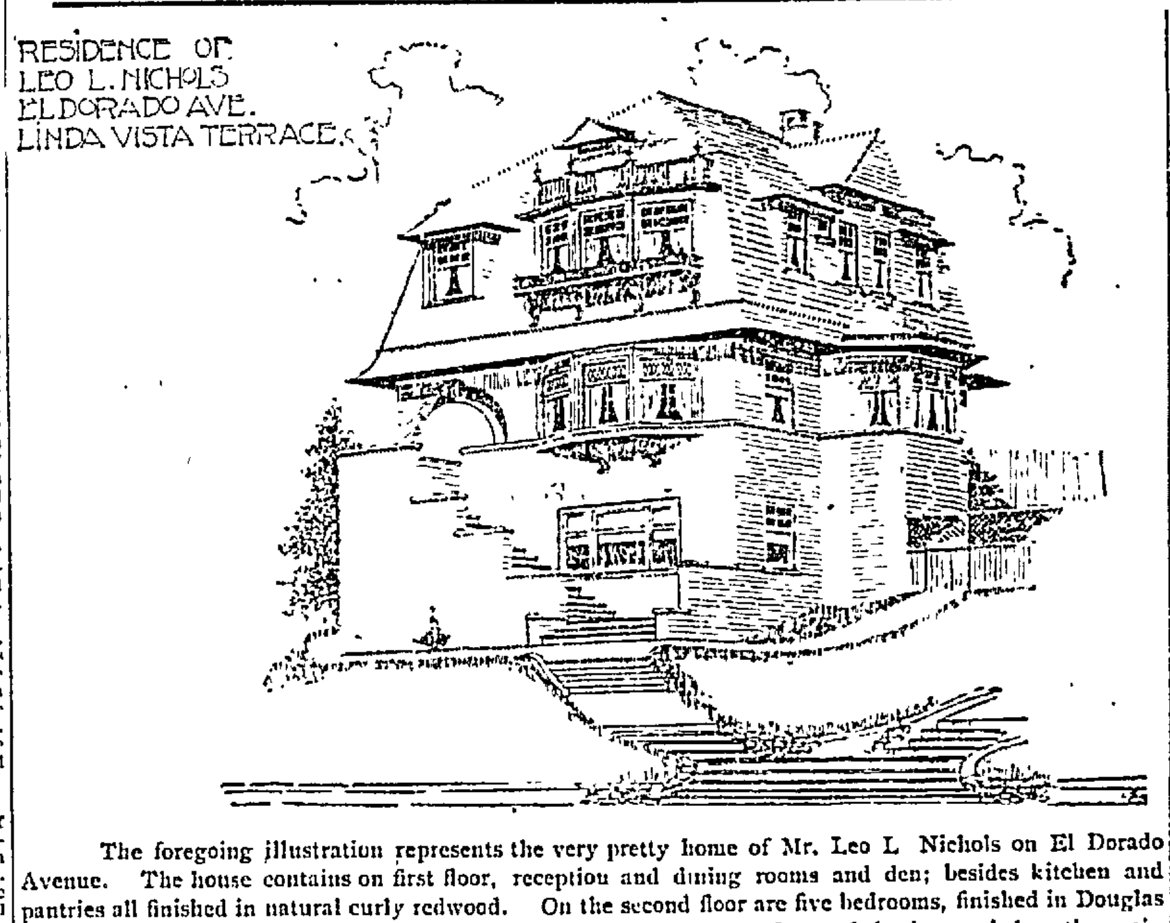
Eleven of our Graduates are Employed in One Office in San Francisco
(No other business college in the west can point to such a record.)

It cannot be too generally known { That this school has made the most phenomenal success of any similar educational institution ever conducted in the State—That the departments of business training and shorthand are unsurpassed by any business college east or west—That the instruction in this school is largely INDIVIDUAL, and that we have the indorsement of the leading business and professional men of this vicinity.

SEND FOR LARGE ILLUSTRATED CATALOGUE FREE.

Some of our Students in positions in Oakland and San Francisco

Thos. Turner, Lewis Sleter, Joe Levy, Geo. Haley, Fred Sargent, Wm. Thacker, Alfred Zadig, Chas. Bernhardt, Harry Nichols, Lena Jacobs, James Chlouck, Adolph Peterson, Roy Folger, Cora Lefevre, Harold Watehouse, R. W. Sumner, Eunice Swafford, Harriet Austin, Loren Cummings, Will Sweet, J. J. Pomeroy, Selma Holliday, Arthur Bowman, Lizzie Spicer, Byron Hendrickson, Walter Martinez, Eugene Weill, J. C. Rodman, Chas. A. Strong, Emma Van, Blanche Burke, Chas. Elsey, Marjorie Macintosh, H. Soderberg, Fred S., A. Pettersen, F. J. White, Joseph Gates, Beatrice Cattell, Robert Edwards, C. H. Bettle, E. D. Liddell, Roy Burker, Blanche Liddell, Amy Kuse, Etta-Mae Palmer, Mrs. Allie G. Brown, Mattie Nye, J. J. Burke, Fred Van Meter, Mattie Forst, Louis Woodsale, Mae McLaughlin, Frances Strelinski, Lottie Thompson, Frances Ludwig, Mary Trelease, Agnes Farrell, Frank Kergan, Arthur Bowton, Edith Smith, Dora Langley, Robert Keegan, Estelle Johnson, Edward C. Johnsen, Alfred Zadig, Albert Borcos, Grace Price, Jennie Ewart, Chas. Hiney, Blanche Cook, Edith Hadley, Frank Rittigstein, P. N. Winlund, Grace Olney, George Wareman, Hattie Wicker, Mary Shipman, Florence Rice, Minnie Lowry, Arthur Jenkins, Emily Arlett, Margaret Arnott, Lillie Keller, Walter Burtchaell, Estella M. Turner, Sopha Rutherford, Nina McIntosh, Albert Wilsen, Frank Brown, Geo. Jackson, Horace Johnston, Susie Prasler, M. H. Weed, Anna McGann, Alice M. Alden, Grace Luck, Mabel Rose, Adolph Peterson, Albert Wicht, Etta Bridgman, Beth Brown, Henry McBride, Cora Lefevre, Viola Berka, Josie Lemon, Lottie M. Jones, Wm. Skelly, Chas. Johnson, Wm. Adams, Will Sweet, Winifred Humphrey, Wanda Mcsow, Hattie McKenzie, Frederick May, Blanche Swindell, Hazel F. Holton, Gertrude Follansbee, Estella Steen, Claude Pugh



The foregoing illustration represents the very pretty home of Mr. Leo L. Nichols on El Dorado Avenue. The house contains on first floor, reception and dining rooms and den; besides kitchen and pantries all finished in natural curly redwood. On the second floor are five bedrooms, finished in Douglas fir. The slope of the lot affords a handsome billiard room across the front of the house; below the main floor and yet wholly above the ground. The sweep of the street at this point, and the elevation of the lot above it, give fine opportunity for rustic stone bulkheads and garden steps, which has been fully improved by the landscape gardener in making this property, together with the large grounds of Mr. Kennerley Bryan adjoining, one of the handsomest features of the Terrace and a particular ornament to El Dorado Avenue, on which they are situated.

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Married.

BORTELLS—DAVIS—In this city, December 16, 1900, by Rev. E. R. Dille, Frank L. Bortells of San Pedro, Cal., and Kate Davis of Oakland.

MAINS—RIEHL—In this city, December 19, 1900, by the Rev. J. H. Theiss, Ephraim King Mains and Emma Riehl.

Died.

GARDNER—In this city, December 20, 1900, Ada Adelle, beloved wife of James E. Gardner and sister of Mrs. Jesse Story, a native of Albany, Mo., aged 20 years, 6 months and 19 days.

Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend the funeral TOMORROW (Sunday), December 23d, at 2 P. M., from the Christian Church, West street, between Eleventh and Twelfth.

GAINES—In this city, December 22, 1900, Esther Gaines, beloved wife of James Gaines and daughter of Mrs. Kate Zunino and sister of D. Zunino, a native of Italy, aged 24 years and 2 months.

Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend the funeral on MONDAY, December 24, 1900, at 2 P. M., from her late residence, 1116 Third street. Interment St. Mary's Cemetery, Oakland.

TOWNSEND—In this city, December 21, 1900, James Townsend, husband of the late Martha H. Townsend and father of James Jr. and Frederick Townsend, a native of Lowell, Mass., aged 70 years, 3 months and 5 days.

Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend the funeral TOMORROW (Sunday), December 23d, at 2 o'clock P. M., from First Congregational Church, corner Twelfth and Clay streets. Interment private.

MELODY—In this city, December 21, 1900, John Melody, known in religion as Brother Lascian, a native of Ireland, aged 53 years, 8 months and 21 days.

Galindo's Christmas Spread.
An unrivaled menu will be served at the Christmas dinner, 4 to 7 P. M., at the Galindo Hotel, at reasonable prices.

Ladies Come in Tonight.
And select an appropriate Christmas gift for your husband, your brother, your sweetheart or gentleman friend. We have some nice things suitable for those who can make use of them, and they will be appreciated by the receivers. We speak of neckwear, suspenders, handkerchiefs, smoking jackets, etc. We are never undersold. Smith's Reliable Clothing House, northeast corner of Washington and Tenth streets.

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Modern furniture bought, exchanged or sold on installment payments. Cash discount 10 per cent from installment prices.

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OAKLAND, CAL.

GRIPPE RIFE IN RUSSIA.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 22.—The influenza epidemic here is so severe that the mortality returns for the last week have been the highest for a decade.

A meeting of physicians was summoned to discuss remedies, but scarcely half a dozen responded to the call, the rest being overworked, or themselves victims of the malady. The weather is conducive to the spread of the disease, being changeable, snow and slush alternating.

ORPHEUM SHOW IS POSTPONED.

The Orpheum Show will not be seen at the Macdonough Theater tonight. The date is cancelled on account of the company being in a train wreck at Truckee. They cannot reach Oakland in time to show.

DISABLED STEAMERS.

LONDON, Dec. 22.—Two tugs are towing the White Star line steamer Cuffic, recently at anchor in distress and abandoned by her crew off the Skerries, to Liverpool.

The steamer Summerhill which towed the disabled steamer Westernland to West Bay, near Weymouth, has lost her main mast and has her hull damaged, but is proceeding, leaving the Westernland to receive local assistance.

JOCKEY COBURN'S CASE BEFORE THE COURT.

Thomas W. Lottridge, the horse owner, who has been sued by his jockey, William Coburn, is determined to have the young man ruled on the track. An injunction issued by Judge Hall bars the way just now, for it forbids Lottridge going to the jockey clubs and filing complaints against Coburn.

At noontime today Lottridge's attorneys, Emil Nusbaumer and A. S. Newburgh, endeavored to persuade Judge Ellsworth to set aside the injunction, claiming that it was working a great injustice to their client. He cannot compel Coburn to ride for him and cannot get a jockey as successful for less than $100 a month. Coburn was getting $10 under the terms of an apprenticeship agreement signed by his mother.

Judge Ellsworth refused to entertain the motion to dissolve the injuction because notice had not been given Coburn's attorney, P. L. Benjamin. The latter was in court and objected to the matter being taken up.

It will be heard Monday.

Married Her Manager.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

CHAMBERLAIN, S. D., Dec. 22.—The marriage is announced of Miss Grace Hoard, daughter of the distinguished New York journalist, to Joseph Mesnard, manager of her big stock ranch. They will make their home forty miles west of Chamberlain on the White River.

Pears'

Its least virtue is that it lasts so.

Soap is for comfort; the clean are comfortable.

Pears' soap cleanliness—is perfect cleanliness.

All sorts of people use it, all sorts of stores sell it, especially druggists.

ACCUSED OF BRIBERY.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—A dispatch from Tokio to the Herald says:

Baron Hoshi Toru, the Minister of Communications, has resigned his post on account of an accusation of bribery in connection with the street cleaning contracts of the City Council. It is not believed that this resignation, even if persisted in, will cause a Cabinet crisis.

For a Cold in the Head
Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets.

WHERE CALIFORNIANS WILL SPEND HOLIDAYS.

A dispatch from Washington says:

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Senator Perkins has gone to Philadelphia, where he will address the New England Society of Pennsylvania tomorrow evening on the subject, "The Yankees in the West." After a brief visit at New York he will return to Washington for the holidays.

Senator Bard left this afternoon for New York, where he will be joined by his daughter, Beryl, who is attending school at Boston. They will spend Christmas at the family's old home at Chambersburg.

The California Representatives will all spend the holidays here. Representative Kahn, who is a member of the House Committee appointed to attend the funeral of Representative Wise of Virginia, will return Monday and devote the holiday recess to work in the departments.

President Benjamin Ide Wheeler and wife, accompanied by Mrs. Phoebe Hearst, are spending a month in the city.

STANDARD COMPANY WILL CONNECT WIRES.

A dispatch from Stockton says:

STOCKTON, Dec. 21.—Early next week the Standard Electric Company will join the two ends of the cables over which power is to be transmitted to Stockton, Oakland and Alviso. Two gangs of men are working on the line and will meet west of this city. Power will be turned on about the middle of January and 60,000 volts will be transmitted by three aluminum cables.

Marriage Annuled

Judge Ellsworth has annulled the marriage of Richard and Josie Hutchinson. Hutchinson sued his wife for an annullment, claiming that she had deceived him when he married her and led him to believe that she was single, when as a matter of fact she had a husband residing at Napa from whom she had not been divorced. The defendant did not deny the charge.

Conservative Elected.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire

LONDON, Dec. 22.—Worsley Taylor, Conservative, has been elected to represent the Blackpool division of Lancashire in the House of Commons in succession to Sir Matthew White Ridley, who was Home Secretary in the late Ministry, and who, according to parliamentary usage, recently relinquished his seat in the lower house on being elevated to the peerage with the title of Viscount Ridley and Baron Wensley Dale.

Manchester's Movements.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The Duke of Manchester and his party started for Cincinnati last night.

VON SCHRODER ARGUMENT.

D. M. Delmas is Addressing Jury in the Case.

SAN RAFAEL, Cal., Dec. 22.—The prospect of a legal battle between Attorneys D. D. Delmas and James G. Maguire filled Justice Angelotti's court room to its full capacity this morning when the hearing of the von Schroder libel suit was continued.

Mr. Delmas paid his compliments to the Baron in a fervid fashion and he engaged with Mr. Maguire in an exchange of courtesies that whetted the appetites of those who had a fondness for the element of controversy. More than once during the argument his opponents were made to feel the bite of his caustic language.

Mr. Delmas began his argument by referring to the statement made by Mr. Maguire yesterday as to the importance of the case and reiterated the same from the point of determining the extent to which a newspaper may go in probing into the private affairs of persons of a community. He affirmed that it was the duty of a public journal to expose the wrongs of a society wherever such publication would serve the purpose of deterring others from pursuing a similar course of conduct. Addressing himself to the question of motive, Mr. Delmas quoted the language of Mr. Maguire that the article was "a wanton and malicious libel, published for the sole purpose of injuring the plaintiff on account of personal enemies," and denied that the evidence showed the existence of any such malice.

The intimation that the publication was made for the purpose of blasting the reputation of the Hotel Rafael because it is in competition with the Spreckels hostelry 600 miles away, was pronounced untrue.

Continuing on the same lines, Mr. Delmas cited the fact that Mr. Spreckels was out of the city at the time the publication was made and upon that account had no personal knowledge that the article was to be published. He then took up the action of the Baron and asked why he had not sought a retraction of the article.

"Here was a gallant officer in a gallant army, we are told, knowing the position which Mr. Spreckels occupied as proprietor of the newspaper.

"If he had been conscious of absolute innocence of all the acts alleged in this article, do you not think that he would have gone to Mr. Spreckels in his office and said to Mr. Spreckels 'You have done me an injustice and I appeal to you to undo the wrong you have committed.'"

CHINESE NOTE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The State Department today made public the text of the joint note of the powers to China.

The principal points insisted on by the powers are that China shall send an imperial prince to Berlin to express regret for the murder of Minister von Ketteler, shall make reparation for the murder of foreigners, and allow the powers to control the forts between Peking and the sea.

FUNERAL SERVICES OF BROTHER LASCIAN.

The funeral of Brother Lascian, who died yesterday at St. Mary's College, will take place tomorrow morning at 9.30 o'clock from that institution of learning, where solemn requiem mass will be celebrated for the repose of his soul.

The pall-bearers will be selected from among the Brothers at the college, with whom deceased had been associated for some years.

The interment will be in St. Mary's cemetery.

PULPIT TOPICS.

On account of the crowded condition of THE TRIBUNE tonight the usual church notices are omitted. Nearly all of the regular pastors will occupy their pulpits. The Christmas music will be found on page 18 of this issue.

Denies Guilt.

Louis Sullivan who was arrested at Mill Valley for a Berkeley burglary denies his guilt. He claims he is a victim of mistaken identity. His father was shot and killed from ambush several years ago by a man named Lyle during the existence of a feud between the two. Lyle was sentenced to be hanged, but secured a new trial and was let off with twenty years in San Quentin. Owing to a mortal sickness he was released from prison last year and died the day after he reached his home in Berkeley.

"My Cake is Dough."
Did not use Sperry's Flour.

LAP ROBES at H. Schellhaas, 11th and Franklin sts.

After the Sheriff.

Blanche I. Sherman has sued to enjoin the Sheriff from levying on a piece of property at Eleventh and Jefferson streets which she claims belongs to her. It stands in the name of her father, J. L. Wetmore, who was the defendant in the attachment suit, but she asserts it was deeded to her sixteen years ago but she neglected to record the transfer.

Mrs. Scheuch's Work.

Mrs. Kate D. Scheuch, principal of the Fruitvale School, was responsible for the big banquet to the students. She planned the affair and called a mothers' meeting.

THE EXCITEMENT NOT OVER

The rush at the drug store still continues and daily scores of people call for a bottle of Kemp's Balsam for the Throat and Lungs for the cure of Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Bronchitis and Consumption. Kemp's Balsam, the standard family remedy, is sold on a guarantee and never fails to give entire satisfaction. Prices 25c. and 50c.

MISSING PAPERS IN SNOW CASE.

Bond, Complaint and Answer are Gone.

The trial of the second suit of the city of Oakland against Mayor Snow to recover $8,377 01, which it is claimed he retained as commission on personal property taxes he collected when City Auditor, was commenced this morning before Judge Hall.

Hon. Giles H. Gray and T. C. Coogan are attorneys for Snow.

When the case was called it developed that the original complaint and answer in the action had disappeared mysteriously from the files in the County Clerk's office. Both sides disclaimed any responsibility for the disappearance and agreed to proceed without the original papers.

Then the missing bond of the Mayor as City Auditor formed an important part in the morning's proceedings. Official after official was interrogated in an effort to trace it, but without success.

Ex-Mayor Thomas testified that the bond had been handed to him when he was chief executive and that it was the only surety of which he was custodian as Mayor. He took the precaution to seal it in an envelope and lock it in the big safe in the City Clerk's office.

Deputy Clerk Holland stated he had never seen the paper. Mayor Snow testified that he had passed the $10,000 document up to Mayor Thomas.

And there you are. The attorney for the Mayor stated that the whole matter seemed to be up to Clerk Tompkins. The opposition fired back with the statement that it was a case of passing the buck.

After introducing some testimony as to the amount of personal property taxes collected by Auditor Snow during his term an adjournment was taken for two weeks.

At that time City Clerk Tompkins will be called to tell what he knows about the missing $10,000 bond.

Will Is Filed

The will of Antonio Terra, who died in Brooklyn Township, November 11th, has been filed for probate. The estate is valued at $25,000.

The deceased directs that his funeral cost not over $250 that $50 be given to Father W. G. O'Mahoney of San Leandro to say masses for the repose of his and his deceased wife's souls, that $100 be expended for a headstone in the family plot at Hayward's cemetery, that $200 be paid to Samuel Santos, aged 10 years, son of Antonio J. Santos; that an acre tract on Dutton avenue go to his daughter, Mary G. Cardozo, wife of Manuel Cardozo; that his three sons, Antonio G., Jackson G. and Lucien G., and his daughter, Louise G. Terra, take the rest of his real property share and share alike. The deceased directs further that, as the three sons and daughters mentioned above are beneficiaries of an insurance policy upon his life, they pay the cash legacies mentioned. The will was made on February 8th last.

Taken to Prison.

The silvery voice of Sam Fisher, a pineapple peddler from San Francisco, was suddenly silenced by License Inspector Maloon this morning. Fisher had no license to show so he was hauled to jail on a charge of violating the license ordinance.

To Cure a Cold in One Day
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

Notice
To lovers of fat turkeys. We will receive direct from our shippers 10,000 pounds of turkeys, which we will retail at wholesale prices, Samson's, on Eleventh street, between Washington and Clay. Phone main 142. Branch market, Berkeley station. Phone North 15.

Graphophones for a Xmas Present
There is nothing that will be more appreciated by the musically inclined than a graphophone. Prices from $5 up. Address Earle Warren, 1000 Broadway, and he will call on you with a sample.

FOR SOME one whose eyes are dim a pair of GOLD RIMMED EYE GLASSES would be an excellent gift, we have them at the most reasonable prices. The lenses may be changed to fit the wearer any time after Christmas.

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Our stock of Carpets and Rugs is positively the brightest and newest in town. Not a yard of carpet or a rug in the store that has been here a year. No old patterns to work off, no odds and ends to offer and a finer stock would be hard to find. You are always welcome to come and look, whether you are ready to buy or not.

In the matter of buying we have the advantage of the smaller dealers, for we buy direct in carload lots; not only FURNITURE, but mattings and carpets. We take advantage of all discounts and sell on close margin. See our latest arrival of new mattings, linoleum and art squares.

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SATURDAY.....DECEMBER 22, 1900

The demand of the Cudahy kidnapers that $25,000 be paid or the boy's eyes would be put out can be considered in the nature of a sight draft.

Advices from Cape Colony state that the situation in the Transvaal is very grave. That is easily believed in view of the thousands of soldiers they have been burying there during the past few months.

Dime novel writers would have a hard time getting up anything more romantic than the story of the kidnaping and ransoming of young Cudahy. While the millionaire packer cannot from one standpoint be blamed for sacrificing a minute portion of his wealth to save his child, it is a pity that he did so, for it will only encourage the same operators or others like them to try again a game that worked so well. However, they may bump across a different sort of proposition next time.

A SELF-SUPPORTING CABLE.

The Pacific cable, which will undoubtedly receive the approval of Congress in the passage of the Corliss bill, which carries an appropriation for the immediate commencement of the work, is a project that promises to pay well for itself, beyond the fact of its being a military and naval necessity. T. P. Hughes, a noted Philadelphia expert, estimates the cost for 7,750 nautical miles at $10,000,000, requiring an earning capacity of $925,000 a year. The cable tolls of the War Department alone, however, it is pointed out, have averaged monthly a rate of more than $325,000 a year, and at current rates the projected cable need be in operation less than an hour a day to earn the $925,000.

Brigadier-General Greeley, chief signal officer, declares that the proposed cable is a military and strategic necessity that cannot with safety be long delayed. He says, "The cable experiences of the War Department in connection with the relief of the legations at Peking point clearly to the tremendous disadvantages under which the United States without its own facilities would labor in case of an extended war in the East. An American trans-Pacific cable is a military and commercial necessity if our colonial possessions are to be retained, or if American interests are to be safeguarded in Asiatic countries. The great value of a cable is more especially for the restoring of order in new colonies and to facilitate commercial enterprises."

The Corliss bill has been approved by the leaders of the dominant party and is warmly advocated by the administration, and it is expected that right after the new year it will go to final passage. It is estimated that it will take a full year to lay the cable, which cannot otherwise than have a tremendous effect in extending our trade relations on the Pacific, and will be an important factor in developing our commercial interests on the other side of the world.

SURVEY THE STATE.

The confusion in regard to land boundaries existing in many counties of this State is such that it can hardly be conceived by those who have not had the subject brought forcibly to their attention either in the sale or purchase of realty. In the circumstances there ought to be no delay on the part of the Legislature in providing a cure for this condition of affairs, and as from the present outlook the next session of that body will not be overburdened with business, it would be an excellent idea for our lawmakers to give the matter their immediate attention. The day is rapidly passing when the man from the East intending to settle in California will be satisfied with a hazy notion of where his property lies, nor will he be satisfied to know that the contents of his farm or orchard are so many acres, "more or less." Besides this, he wants to be certain of what county he lives in.

Some twelve years ago this State caused a geological survey to be made at great expense and the result was a chart that has not been superseded as a valuable contribution to human knowledge even by the more complete publications of the Federal Government. Colonel Irelan, the officer in charge of the California work, in his report to Governor Waterman made this statement: "There is scarcely a county in the State whose boundaries as described in the statutes can be laid down correctly on any map, as many descriptions are faulty and incorrect, a matter which ought to be remedied as soon as possible; and the Legislature should take action in these premises that serious complications may be avoided." We find the United States Geological Survey's deputies making the same complaint, but our Senate and Assembly have done nothing. The county line of Siskiyou and Modoc, we believe, has indeed been re-run, but this was at the joint expense of those districts, and, as the matter is one of State rather than county importance, it is the duty of the representatives of the people at Sacramento to take the matter up.

Lawyers and surveyors, we have no doubt, find the present conditions profitable to them in their respective professions, but the burden of expense on investors in land is growing heavier every year. As the United States Land Department makes no further appropriations for resurveys, we cannot look for help in that quarter, and the State must therefore exert itself to aid its taxpayers and citizens. With county lines scarcely settled; with large tracts, especially in the San Joaquin valley, indifferently described; with loosely defined Spanish and Mexican grants plastered all over the map—under these conditions, we believe, the State of California cannot move too quickly for its own good and the welfare of its citizens in the work of once and for all time settling its land boundaries.

PHILOSOPHY VERSUS RELIGION.

Wu Ting Fang the Chinese minister at Washington declares that the philosophy of Confucius is more suited to the needs and requirements of mankind than the gospel of Christianity. He asserts, moreover, that the Chinese are the followers of the great Mongolian thinker and that their shortcomings are due to not obeying his precepts, which exhort others to do good for the sake of good and not because of the promise of reward or the threat of punishment in the great hereafter. While Wu Ting Fang is a scholarly, able student and doubtless is prejudiced in favor of his own methods of belief, it is nevertheless a fact that the Chinese are not now, and never were, followers of the Mongolian's philosophy. They have adopted in part such of his teachings as they considered suitable to their needs and which were merely the utterances of nature's unwritten laws, but their form of belief is a conglomeration of idolatry, the traditionary inheritance of a thousand religious systems that have come into being and gradually vanished or were supplanted by others.

The Chinese moral idea is based solely upon a question of policy. It is personal merely in its application, while on the other hand the Mongolian has become a victim of the most degrading forms of superstitution. He worships and reverences the evil power so that he may avoid its anger, while he turns his back upon Eternal Goodness, for the reason that it will not injure him under any circumstances. All influences which have no effect upon material affairs the Chinaman has defied. The Confucian philosophy prescribes no worship or sacrifice and the story of mankind is written upon its altars and in its temples. The Chinaman has filled the void in his philosophy with the most degrading system of idolatry and about it has grown the rank vine of superstition, which has no place in Christianity. His jumble of philosophy and worship made him a fatalist, and consequently a hand-tied human machine that has no influence in the shaping and forming of his own destiny. Those races who have the belief of the fatalist never advance. The Western world, with its creed of Christ has proclaimed individual responsibility and has not only given to man a philosophy equal in its teachings and moral requirements to that of the Mongolian thinker, but a deity who is the origin of all good. These nations have advanced in intellectuality and mental force, while those of the Orient, founded upon philosophy alone and left to a mythical and traditional idolatry, have stood still or retrograded. In a comparison of the two systems Wu Ting Fang's own race exhibits the consequences of the defects in the philosophy of Confucius.

However much the Democrats may object to the theoretical end of the policy of protection they must admit that when put into practice it works like a charm. The latest benefits we are deriving from that source consist of large orders for steel rails to be sent to England, and as our rolling mills employ hundreds of thousands of Democratic workmen as well as Republicans, it looks as if they cannot make any mistake from now on as to upon which side their bread is buttered. If this sort of thing continues it won't be long before the only Democrats left in the country will be the professional agitators who earn their bread, not by the sweat of their brow but by the wagging of their jaw.

The battle flag of the Crusaders will have to be transferred from China to Turkey, in view of the reports of the slaying of 200 Christians by Moslems in the eastern part of the Ottoman empire. Should such a transfer take place the shipbuilders who recently got an order from the Sultan for a cruiser had better be a little slow about starting up work on it, for such a thing is possible as that there would be no Turkish government to deliver it to at the time of its completion.

A Philadelphian has gone into bankruptcy with liabilities of $2,000,000 and assets of $25. A man who can get that much credit upon that amount of capital cannot be accounted an entire failure in life.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

Whisky is the key to an unsteady gait.

The best way to get out of debt is to pay out.

There are lots of skins in the leather business.

Music and women are often loved but seldom understood.

No farmer can plow a field by turning it over in his mind.

Pawnbrokers prefer customers who have redeeming qualities.

A young doctor's profession is usually better than his practice.

One good way to derive an income from literature is to sell books.

The man who will not trust his feelings is not doing a credit business.

It matters not how good a joke may be there are people who can't see it.

A St. Louis genius has a scheme for drying snow and selling it to the natives for salt.

The ant may be industrious—but that is more than can be said of some uncles.

When locomotives and children get on the wrong track it takes a switch to get them back.

A miser would be only too glad to remove the beam from his own eye if he could sell the timber.

The world is probably a little larger than you think it is and you are probably a little smaller than you think you are. —Chicago News.

An Ox-Yoke Lincoln Made.

Among the treasures of the University of Illinois none is so eagerly sought for by visitors as the old ox-yoke made by President Lincoln. The yoke was made by Lincoln at New Salem, Illinois, probably about 1830, and when Lincoln was about 21 years old. It remained there until about 1849, just after Lincoln returned from his only term in Congress. Then Lincoln and his brother-in-law, Clark M. Smith, visited New Salem together. While there the two attended an auction sale of farm chattels, among which was the ox-yoke. When the yoke was offered for sale it was treated as a novelty because made by a Congressman. Lincoln acknowledged it as his work, and Mr. Smith, saying "it was worth taking home as a souvenir because made by his brother-in-law and a member of Congress," bid it off and carried it home. When Lincoln became the Republican nominee for the Presidency the ox-yoke gained added significance. Mr. Smith got it out and placed it in the counting room of his firm. The firm was C. M. Smith & Co., and composed of Mr. Smith and Mr. John S. Condell, engaged in the shoe and leather business at Springfield.

The yoke was there an object of much interest for a long time. In 1873 Mr. Watson Pickrell, a student at the University of Illinois, now living at the City of Tempe, Arizona, urged Mr. Smith to give it to the university. He finally concluded to do so, and Mr. Pickrell carried it to Champaign. The crossbar is black walnut; the bows are of hickory. It is in excellent preservation. The university has religiously cared for it for twenty-seven years, and holds it among its most sacred possessions.

The case in which the yoke is kept is made of oak boards from the floor of the Lincoln home in Springfield.

Mr. Condell of the firm of C. M. Smith & Co. is yet living in Springfield, and from him were procured the affidavits which President Draper now holds and which fully authenticate the facts.

A Wise Youth.

"Now, my little man," said the benevolent looking gentleman to a ragged urchin who was peering into a brilliantly lighted confectioner's window, "if I gave you half a dollar what would you get?"

"I 'spect I'd get a pain, sir," was the feeling reply—Yonkers Statesman.

PERSONAL

Mrs. Walsh of Oakland is visiting her sister, Mrs. Hocrule, in Napa.

H. H. Haynes of Oakland was in Martinez last Wednesday.

Miss Mary Craig of Oakland is visiting in Woodland.

Mrs. Thomas has returned to San Jose after a short stay in Oakland.

H. B. Stewart and C. W. Bahr of Division 71, Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen of Oakland, are in Sacramento.

Miss Annie and Jessie Moore, formerly of Concord, have come to Oakland to reside.

Mrs. Mary Riley of Clayton has leased her ranch to Joseph Hunt of Oakland. Mrs. Hunt will come to Oakland soon after the holidays.

Mrs. John Sherburne and daughter, Miss Mabel, of Oakland, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Burpee of Walnut Creek.

F. W. Foskett and wife of Concord spent part of the week in Oakland.

Mrs. Dr. Stoddard of Oakland will spend the holidays with her daughter, Mrs. F. de Gomez of Auburn.

Mrs. J. P. Macaulay and daughter of Auburn are visiting friends in Oakland.

Mrs. Heloise Winchester of Newcastle is spending her vacation with relatives in Oakland.

QUIET WEDDING.

Miss Della Myrtle Hodges and L. Roy Payne were married last evening at the home of the bride's parents, 531 Caledonia avenue. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. J. C. Wooten, pastor of the Asbury Methodist Church. It was a pretty home affair and was attended only by relatives and a few intimate friends of the contracting parties. Flowers and evergreens were used in liberal quantities in the decorations. After the wedding a supper was served.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hodges. She is widely known in church and society circles. Mr. Payne is vice-president of the Fresno Home Packing Association, with which he has been connected for several years.

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WILL HAVE PARTY OF THEIR OWN.

Felton Taylor Declares That the Committee of Twenty-eight are Boodlers.

The moving purpose of the scandalous charge made by Henry P. Dalton and G. R. Lukens in relation to the appointment of the new Republican City Central Committee was unmasked last night at a meeting of Dalton's adherents, composed mainly of office holders and office seekers belonging to his discredited faction. It developed during the proceedings that the affidavits of Dalton and Lukens were put forth as a pretext for bolting the regular Republican organization and creating a rump organization absolutely under the control of Dalton.

In accordance with the eternal fitness of things Lukens presided and the principal speeches were made by men who had been slated for nomination by Dalton. Conspicuous among them was Councilman Felton Taylor, who, Lazarus-like, exhibited his sores and asked for commisseration. Taylor had been slated for City Treasurer by Dalton, hence it was a matter of some surprise that Z. T. Gilpin should be found co-operating with those who had decided to send his head to the block.

A non-partisan plan proposed by Hugh M. Cameron was promptly voted down, for the reason that George C. Pardee, who still has Gubernatorial aspirations, desires to keep one foot in the Republican party, while kicking the Republican organization with the other. It is simply a matter of conular shrdlu shrdlu shrdlu shrdlumupu trol. So long as Dalton carried the committee in his pocket the regular organization was all right, but the moment it repudiated his personal ownership he tried to befoul it after the fashion of a polecat.

So he has called a meeting of his henchmen, presided over by his spokesman in the committee, declared the regular party organization corrupt and organized an alleged Republican party that will be wholly a Dalton affair.

A shining light in this select corps of reformers is Leslie Blackburn, whose labors in the cause of pure politics have been the cause of wonder and admiration for some time past.

About sixty-five gentlemen assembled in Loring Hall last evening to discuss the political campaign from the Dalton-Lukens standpoint.

N. K. Foster called the meeting to order and placed G. R. Lukens in nomination for chairman. The latter was elected and made a few remarks. He said:

"We know in a general way, why we are here. We know that at the Republican city convention two years ago a City Central Committee was elected to perform certain duties. That committee has voted itself out of existence and the Republican party is now without an organization. I await the pleasure of the meeting."

A. H. Breed was elected secretary.

Dr. George C. Pardee then made an address in which he urged his hearers to denounce the City Central Committee.

Professor Inskeep entered his protest and spoke about "unprincipled tricksters."

City Attorney Dow said he believed money had been used to secure control of the Committee.

Dr. N. K. Foster, L. J. Hardy, Jr., Mark Thomas, Harry Burns and H. M. Cameron made remarks.

FELTON TAYLOR DENOUNCED THE PERSONNEL OF THE COMMITTEE OF TWENTY-EIGHT APPOINTED BY THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE. "READ THE NAMES," HE SAID; "THAT IS ENOUGH. THEY ARE NOTORIOUSLY CROOKED FROM FIRST TO LAST. THEY ARE THE GANG THAT ENGINEERED THE LAKE MERRITT STEAL. THEY ARE THE GANG THAT GOT UP THE FAKE INTERVIEWS WITH COUNCILMEN BY WHICH IT WAS SOUGHT TO DELIVER THE CITY OVER TO THE WATER MONOPOLY."

Dr. Pardee's resolution was adopted. The committee will be named later.

Among those interested in the meeting were:

1. F. R. Girard, candidate for Mayor.
2. Mark Thomas, candidate for Second Ward Councilman.
3. B. C. Cuvellier, candidate for Third Ward Councilman.
4. Edwin Meese candidate for Fourth Ward Councilman.
5. W. A. Dow, candidate for City Attorney.
6. M. Miller, candidate for City Engineer.
7. Felton Taylor, candidate for Treasurer.
8. A. H. Breed, candidate for Auditor.
7. Mr. Randolph, candidate for Third Ward for School Director.

In fact there was a candidate for every office on the municipal ticket.

F. J. Wentworth, J. Tyrrel, L. A. Larmer, Francis R. Musser, George E. League, C. Merwin, H. H. Kirby, F. B. Randolph, J. T. Francis, M. P. Manning, W. J. Patterson, W. B. Moody, W. A. Dow, E. W. Emery, M. O. McClain, J. H. Henderson, W. L. Boldt, E. J. Edwards, A. H. Breed, E. H. Lake, O. L. Knowles, B. H. Welch, H. D. Hardy, F. D. Dolbler, Clarence Crowell, John Fearn, J. S. Burpee, R. E. Revalk, C. J. Welch, James F. Ford, H. S. Hempstead, H. S. Burns, W. H. Dickason, C. H. Miller, Leslie Blackburn, H. E. Heathorn, W. A. Donaldson, W. S. O'Brien, R. J. Sturgeon, Z. T. Gilpin, A. H. Elliott, John Mitchell, G. R. Lukens, N. K. Foster, J. L. McVey, A. L. Hannaford, George R. Williams, L. D. Inskeep, L. J. Hardy, B. H. Pendleton, G. C. Pardee, E. C. Lukens, C. Chichester, Andy Rouch, Mark Thomas, Dr. T. W. Hall, Charles Wagner, Tom Robinson, H. M. Cameron, Kenneth M. Hayden.

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GLEANINGS IN POLITICAL FIELD.

M. H. de Young Is Likely to Be Appointed Embassador to France.

(Special to the Tribune.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.—M. H. de Young to be Embassador to France.

That is the story that has been quietly whispered around in certain circles during the past thirty-six hours. It savors too of more than a rumor, for those who claim to be in possession of the inside facts on the proposition say that a dispatch has been received by a member of De Young's family in this city setting forth the news that he has been promised the place by the President.

Whether or not there is anything in the gossip will of course soon be known, for an item of that magnitude cannot long remain concealed. It would not be surprising, however, if such should prove to be the case, for it has been an open secret for some time past that De Young's ambitions have long been centered upon that very portfolio. Realizing the futility of his efforts to reach the United States Senate under the prevailing local conditions he turned his energies in the direction of an embassadorship and as a matter of fact, in this very correspondence a couple of years or so ago, it was stated that De Young was working on those very lines and with good promise of success in the future.

His preference for the French portfolio is easily explained. Like so many other Americans who have visited the French capital he became enamored of its social life and of late not a year has passed without his spending some portion of the season at Paris. Those who knew the goal he was heading for felt satisfied therefore that if he did not land the Embassadorship it would not be for the lack of trying and when he was appointed a National Commissioner to the Paris Exposition by President McKinley it was realized that he had secured another stepping stone, for in that official capacity he naturally had a splendid opportunity to form personal relations with the French government and thus make himself persona grata in the best manner possible.

There are other reasons why De Young should be regarded as a strong possibility for the Embassadorship—good ones too. In the first place must be conceded the splendid work he has done for the Republican party with the Chronicle No one can question the fact that it is the strongest party organ in the Pacific States and those who watched its course during the last campaign know that it made a magnificent fight for the administration and its principles. Thousands of dollars were expended in the preparation and circulation of special articles and editions and when it is stated that De Young did not ask a dollar in return either from the local managers or those in charge of the national funds it can be seen that he thereby placed the Administration under obligations to him. It is but meet and proper therefore that in return he should receive some substantial recognition from McKinley so from that standpoint it is plain that everything is in his favor rather than otherwise.

Then there is a strong current running in his favor in an entirely different channel. As long as De Young remains in California without an office to satiate his ambitions just so long will he always be a factor in the United States Senatorship and both Bard and Perkins know it only too well. Even though he might not be able to secure it for himself he could by means of the powerful influences of his paper seriously damage the prospects of his immediate rivals and with both Bard and Perkins figuring upon remaining in the Senate as long as they can, it can be seen how they would be killing two birds with one stone by having De Young sent to Paris as an Embassador. Not only would the man whom of all others they have to fear in their campaigns be out of the way but by making a personal fight in his behalf with the President they would place him under obligations to them and thereby secure his support of their interests later on.

With all these sidelights thrown upon the subject it can be seen that it would not be such a remarkable thing after all if the Embassador De Young story actually materializes and wheth r it does or not it can at least be put down as a certainty that he is trying to get it. Some people might demur to the story on the ground that the Administration could not afford to recall General Horace Porter our present diplomatic representative to the French Republic because to do so might be considered a reflection upon his official course there. In this connection though, it should be remembered that a few weeks ago advices from Washington stated that Porter did not desire another term, an announcement that can well be construed as a strong factor in De Young's behalf.

DEMOCRATIC AIR CASTLES.

As in view of the legislative conditions the Democrats realize that there is not the slightest use figuring on carrying off the United States Senatorship two years hence they are centering their efforts upon the Governorship, a fight that they are trying to figure out as a possibility for them to win. If having plenty of candidates for the place had aught to do with securing it there would be no occasion for them to take a back seat on the proposition, as the list of aspirants is fast becoming as lengthy and as pretentious as that in the Republican camp.

The efforts that have been made during the past week to work up a boom for Mayor Snyder of Los Angeles have fallen somewhat flat, for although he is popular in his own city he is scarcely well enough known throughout the the State to command attention as a Gubernatorial candidate. As a matter of fact, the only possible chance the Democrats would possess would be if they could bring out some singularly strong man, a condition that, strange to say, is lacking in their make-up at this particular time. While Seawell, Sims, Henry and the others who are from time to mentioned are personally popular enough they scarcely rise to the heights necessary for the uphill fight that is awaiting, for not only will it be a case of facing a strong Republican on the opposition ticket, but also what, according to present indications will be another Republican year.

Had Mayor Phelan followed the path in politics he originally hewed out he would have been able to do it, but since he strayed into the byways and quagmires of factionalism he has almost entirely estranged himself from the masses of the party and is at the present time not even regarded as a Gubernatorial factor, much less as a champion around whose standard all could rally.

Marion De Vries would have been just the man the Democrats need, and had he remained in the local field it is more than probable that he would have been found in the fight for his ambitions led him that way and he was backed by the solid as well as the younger elements of the party. His removal, however, upset all the plans that had been formed in that connection, and in truth it may be said that De Vries' retirement from California politics deprived the party here of the man that in the natural course of events would have been its leader.

It may be a surprise to some of the residents of Alameda county to hear that the name of R. M. Fitzgerald is being mentioned as a Gubernatorial possibility. Such is the case, nevertheless, for on this side of the bay a combination is already at work in his interests and is reaching out into other prospectively fruitful fields.

Jo Sproul of Chico is also being advanced as a candidate. Although he was defeated by Woods in the recent tourney for the Congressional honors, it is not considered that he was shorn of any laurels on that score, for the Republican landslide was so pronounced that all things considered, the showing he made was a good one. Sproul is likely to be heard from very prominently in connection with the Governorship, as the campaign progresses, for there is more than gossip to it in his case, a number of well-known men in the party being already enlisted in his cause.

THE SPEAKERSHIP.

It looks as if the coming week will effectually dispose of the Speakership fight, for before it is over the San Francisco delegation will have held its caucus on the issue. While the Anderson people insist that their man has certain votes in San Francisco that Pendleton cannot get away from him no matter what is resorted to, the opposition is equally positive that the unit rule will be adopted and that Pendleton will get the full fourteen votes. It must be remembered in this connection that in order to appease those who are holding out for Anderson, certain much-prized committees will be offered to them, and as this bait is fully as tempting, if not more so, than anything the Suisun man can offer them, a few winning cards are liable to be played in that way.

There are some rumors afloat of a compromise and the gossip is of so logical a nature that it is worth repeating. The point is made that the Republicans cannot afford to go to Sacramento this year and engage in another fight and possibly a deadlock, for to do so would give the Democrats an opportunity to go before the people united later on and win out as against warring factions. It is therefore suggested that as soon as an actual and positive test is obtained as to the votes each candidate possesses, the weaker man retire and receive certain concessions from the one thus adjudged victor. As in the arrangement and nature of such concessions it would be an equally fair proposition to both men at this time, it looks reasonable enough that such a compact might be entered into between them. At present there is, of course, no way of deciding the tug-of-war, for in many instances they are both claiming the same men, but later on, perhaps, before the legislators arrive at Sacramento, there may be a way of arriving at the conclusion and winding up the whole affair.

That this compromise talk is in the air no one can deny, for it is heard upon every side, but how far it goes nobody knows but the candidates themselves and their immediate advisers. It might be reasonably asked why, if Pendleton possesses all the strength that he claims, to wit, the caucus-controlling vote set forth in this correspondence a couple of weeks ago, should he be willing to make any concessions to Anderson—why not keep everything for himself?

The answer will readily suggest itself to those who have "done politics." There is no business to which that old saying "You are never sure of a thing until you have got it" is more applicable than politics. Some of the votes Pendleton is claiming he has got beyond a shadow of a doubt, but—there are others, and just as long as there is another candidate in the field just so long exists the possibility that they may fall by the wayside.

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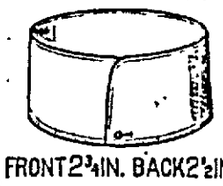

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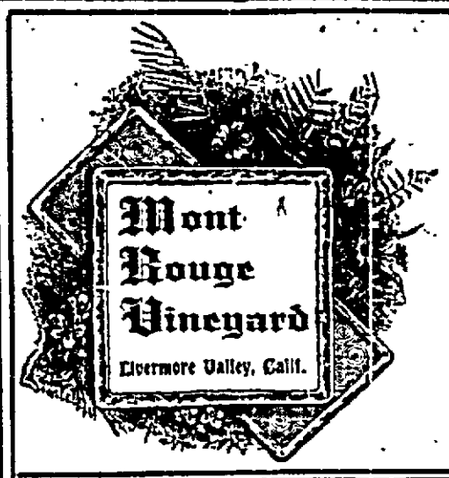

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Other Stocks and Bonds,	101,469.11		Circulation,	50,000.00
Real Estate,	20,961.63		Deposits,	998,911.70
Due from Banks, $66,554.05				
Cash on hand, 250,425.86		316,979.91		
Total		$1,329,176.44		$1,329,176.44

SOCIETY AT CHRISTMAS.

Many People Will Have a Tree for the Little Folks.

Interesting Social Gossip By the Busy Meddler.

Shopping, shopping, shopping, hundreds of arms crowded with thousands of bundles, cross clerks, no room in the stores, thousands of dollars well spent and some well wasted—this is the penalty of prosperity and a modern Christmas. It is a question, of course, when we shall arrive at the dropping-off place where life must needs be simplified or come to an end altogether. We give more presents now than ever before, but there is a tendency to reaction even now observable for some of us. Even those whose gold-linked purses are heavy are buying more simple gifts this year than ever before, thus making reform easier for those who have neither the ready cash nor the courage.

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There will be some beautiful Christmas celebrations in Oakland. Perhaps the jolliest will be at Highlands, where there are so many little children to enjoy it, for, after all, what is Christmas without little people? At Highlands there will be a beautiful tree for the five grandchildren of the house, four of them old enough to appreciate it. There will be a Santa Claus, of course, and if I mistake not, at least three Santa Clauses and three Mrs. Santa Clauses to rain good things on these most fortunate children, who chose their grandparents and their parents so wisely and so well.

Another charming Christmas will be kept at Arbor Villa, where the Smith family is very much at home again. On account of the uncertain health of Mrs. Smith's mother, Mrs. Thompson, who is almost 80 years of age, there will be but a family party, but I can assure you that this will be a very merry one and that some beautiful gifts will be distributed.

Mrs. Smith brought back with her this time the Misses May and Winifred Burdge, who have grown into charming and cultivated young women, though Miss Winifred will remain in school for a year longer. She is at Mills, the harsh climate of the East having been somewhat trying upon her. Miss Marian Smith grows more charming every day, and she is a very accomplished young woman. No one could be more unaffected or more unassuming than is this delightful girl. She is studying hard with her voice, the organ and half a dozen other things, and she is a good student. She is not yet old enough to be "out" but she is permitted to go out once in a while on very special occasions. She was invited to sit at the bride's table at Jean Hush's wedding, but could not do so, of course, as she was still in the East. At the Hutchinson wedding the other day, however, she was one of the girls in white at the bride's table. Miss Smith looked very sweet in white point d'esprit over white taffeta. Mrs. Smith also tastefully gowned, was among the guests. Last night Mrs. Smith chaperoned Miss Marian and Miss Burdge at the Christmas Cotillion of the Friday Night Dancing Club. Both young ladies were belles and covered with cotillion favors. They were in the first set.

Miss Sperry did not return with the Smiths this time. She is hard at work at the Brooklyn Institute, preparing herself for a career in journalism and literature. She is enthusiastic about writing and indites the brightest letters full of all that she hopes to do. Mrs. Smith, like a fairy godmother, is making all her plans possible for her.

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There were some very pretty decorations at Mrs. Meek's card party the other night. The candle shades were painted and appliqued in holly, mistletoe and pine cones and the light came through them rosily, giving a very pretty effect. Mrs. Meek usually contrives something novel and original in the way of decorations.

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The Hutchinson wedding was really remarkably pretty. The bride wore the conventional gown, which was very becoming to her. Her sister, Mrs. W. B. Pringle was matron of honor. It was the first anniversary of Mrs. Pringle's wedding, and the young matron wore her own wedding gown and carried American Beauty roses. At the bride's table everything was in pink and white and a pretty idea arranged it so that the gowns of the girls at this table alternated between pink and white. The water color menu cards for this table were sent from Europe by Mrs. Pelxotto.

The wedding guests were not many, but the company was congenial and merry, and the gifts peculiarly beautiful.

We were all sorry to hear of the really serious accident which befell Mrs. Elisha Crouch and her daughter Bertha. Bertha was married some time ago—I really don't remember the man's name. They were married and went to Riverside to live where they built a new house, costing about $7,000. This place was handsomely furnished at a cost of $1,000 or more. Mrs. Crouch was visiting her daughter and was cleaning something with naphtha when the liquid suddenly exploded, burning Mrs. Crouch severely and setting fire to the whole house. Everything was burned—furniture, clothes, jewelry, wedding presents—not a thing was saved. Mrs. Crouch I understand will recover.

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To come back to the Christmas celebrations from which I have strayed a little—there are to be innumerable home trees. The Taft tree will be a glimmer with electricity. Mrs. Tucker will have a family Christmas tree for her score of grandchildren and each daughter will have an individual tree beside. The Prathers and Harry East Millers will be at the Harrison Clays—how true it is that sons are lost through marriage, but daughters not at all. The Albert Millers will not have their beautiful German tree with the Christ child as on so many years before, for the death of Mr. Miller makes them particularly sad at this time. The Millers will celebrate at the C. O. G. Millers and they in their turn will be entertained at the Watts on Christmas day. The McNears will entertain a family party on Christmas day and be entertained at the Bowles on Christmas eve. In ever so many cases like this there will be two Christmas trees and two Christmas celebrations.

At the King's Daughters' Home for Incurables there will be a Christmas tree with gifts for the forty patients who live within those comfortable walls. Each of these old people, many of them friendless, will receive a gift and there will be a bountiful Christmas dinner, in order that these forlorn old people may be happy. Christmas is so emphatically a home day that Christmas in any institution can never be what it ought to be, but we can all try to make it a little brighter.

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It will be a sad Christmas to those to whom death has lately come. At the Percy home on Boulevard Terrace the Christmas will be of the saddest. The Millers and the Herricks have a sore place in their hearts and the E. J. Dodges of Alameda are mourning the death, only a week ago, of their youngest daughter, Georgia.

For those who have been bereaved, these holidays there is a tender thought and a bit of rue—how hard are holidays since they are marked so vividly by recollection which does not run for common days.

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Marion Goodfellow looked stunning at the Friday Night. She is a really pretty girl with beautiful eyes and lashes. Some of the gowns worn were immensely pretty and the Kenna girls, who are stunning in figure looked particularly well.

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In Fruitvale Christmas will be quiet. There will be a tree at Etnemere, as always, but with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Magee in New York and Mrs. Frank Wells in Honolulu, it does not seem a very merry holiday. Mrs. Will Magee will have a tree for her little people on Christmas morning. Mr. and Mrs. Tom Magee, Jr., will be back about the 1st of January and will spend the rest of the winter at the Palace Hotel.

Miss Violet Albright will have a Christmas tree for the child carollers, who will be driven in a tally-ho this time instead of depending on the cars, and will be, consequently, much more independent.

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The calendar tea at Mrs. Batton's house was a success financially.

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Alameda is quite gay. There have been several card parties of late—all large. On Friday Mrs. Field gave one to sixty ladies. Mrs. Bissell is preparing to entertain on New Year's day, and Miss Siegfried will be married on that day. It will be a pretty home wedding, as the Siegfrieds have a big house and magnificent hot-houses which will be rifled for the occasion.

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In Berkeley it is quiet since the Junior Prom. On that occasion all of the fraternities gave dinner parties before the dance and many of them kept open house and invited as many chaperones and young ladies to stay all night as the house would hold. Their invitations were much sought after, especially by city people.

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It is my earnest hope that you may all have the merriest kind of a Christmas and a new year better and more successful than any that has preceded it. May every one of you be a Santa Claus to some one less fortunate than yourself. That's the way to extract true holiday sweetness. Merry Christmas! Merry Christmas!

THE MEDDLER.

CHRISTMAS TREES.

There will be all sorts of Christmas trees ablaze in Oakland Christmas eve and morning.

Mrs. Isaac L. Requa will have a beautiful tree at Highlands on Christmas morning for the children of Colonel and Mrs. Oscar P. Long and Mr. and Mrs. Mark Requa.

On account of the ill health of Mrs. Smith's mother, Mrs. Thompson, Christmas this year at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Smith, will be rather a quiet one. There will be a small tree on Christmas eve.

At the family home on Jackson street Mrs. J. N. Knowles will have a large tree on Christmas morning for the children of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Knowles, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Adams and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bliss.

There will be a tree on Christmas eve at the home of Mrs. Valentine Hush in in Fruitvale, but the gathering this year will be a small one, as Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Magee are in New York and Mrs. Frank Wells (nee Hush) is in Honolulu.

Mrs. William Magee will have a tree on Christmas morning.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Baker on Jackson street there will be a large gathering to celebrate Christmas eve and the birthday of Mrs. Baker. She expects her father, D. M. Hall, to come from Carson City to join in the festivities.

The grandchild of Judge and Mrs. John H. Boalt will have a tree on Christmas eve at the family home, 1003 Twelfth street.

At the home of Dr. E. J. Boyes there will be a family gathering and tree on Christmas night.

The McNears will have a large family gathering at the Bowles home on Boulevard Terrace Christmas eve, when there will be a Christmas tree.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank McNear Sr., will entertain their relatives on Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brigham will have a tree at their home.

For the children who are to drive about Oakland Christmas morning singing carols, a tree with gifts for all the guests will be provided at the home of Miss Violet Albright, who has the children in training.

Mrs. George C. Perkins will have a tree on Christmas eve at her home on Vernon Heights.

Mrs. E. B. Sanborn of Fruitvale will have a tree on Christmas eve and holiday festivities for the following week.

There will be a tree Christmas eve at the Piedmont Clubhouse for the members of the Piedmont Sunday School. For this reason the William E. Sharons, Randalls, Craigs and other well-known Piedmont people will not have Christmas trees at their homes.

There will be a family gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Stone in San Leandro Christmas eve.

One of the most attractive trees of the season will be that at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Taft on Christmas morning. It will be lighted by electricity.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Walsh will have their tree on Christmas morning.

There will be beautifully trimmed trees at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Meek, and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Meek at San Leandro.

Among those who will have Christmas trees are the Seth Manns, who will have Eastern relatives as guests, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lohse, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Howard, the Robert Knights, and the Harry Hinckleys, of Fruitvale, who will entertain a large party.

There will be a tree and family gathering at the home of George W. Harrold Christmas eve, in Fruitvale.

The tree and family gathering of the Millers will not take place at the home of Mrs. Albert Miller as usual, on account of mourning. Instead the gathering will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. O. G. Miller Christmas eve.

Mrs. Robert Watt will entertain Mr. and Mrs. Donald T. Campbell and Mr. and Mrs. C. O. G. Miller and family Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Clay will have a tree Christmas morning, at which the Prathers, Harry East, Millers and others will be present.

The A. Schillings will celebrate Christmas eve in the old German style.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Brown and the George H. Masticks of Alameda will have trees Christmas morning.

Major and Mrs. C. C. Clay will have a tree at "Level Lee" Christmas morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Butters and family will celebrate Christmas and have their tree at the home of Mrs. Butters' daughter, Mrs. Augustus R. Bray, in Linda Vista.

Mrs. T. C. Coogan will have a tree at her home, 1217 Filbert street, Christmas eve.

There will be a large tree at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert L. Curtiss in East Oakland on Christmas eve. The ornaments used on their tree are the same they have used for the past twenty years. The tree will be lighted every night for the week following Christmas. Besides a large party of relatives Mr. and Mrs. Curtiss will entertain friends from Boston.

Mrs. J. C. Tucker will have a tree for her numerous grandchildren on Christmas morning. Her daughter, Mrs. Philip Williams will also have her tree then, while Mrs. George McNear Jr. and Mrs. Edington Detrick Jr. will have their trees on Christmas eve.

BERKELEY MAN WEDS.

Hugh R. Morrison of Berkeley and Miss Levie Morris of El Paso were married in Belton, Texas, on December 12th.

Mr. Morrison, who is the son of Captain J. T. Morrison, U. S. A., is a graduate of the Berkeley High School and for some time pursued a special course in mechanics, at the State University. He has been in Texas for the last few years, in the employ of the Santa Fe railroad.

Miss Morris is the daughter of a wealthy stockman and comes from an old Texas family. Her grand-father was at one time a member of Congress from Texas. Miss Morris is a graduate of the Belton University, and is an accomplished linguist.

The couple are now in Berkeley, visiting friends.

HENNESSEY--O'NEILL.

The marriage of William J. Hennessey of this city and Miss Annie E. O'Neill of San Francisco, took place last Wednesday evening in the Church of the Most Holy Redeemer, San Francisco. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Joseph McQuade. It was witnessed by a number of friends of the contracting parties from both sides of the bay because groom and bride are well and favorably known in both sections.

The bride was attended by Miss Louise O'Neill, her sister, and the best man was John J. Connolly of this city.

The bride was attired in a modish gown of white silk, with tulle veiling, clustered with orange blossoms. She carried a bouquet of lilies of the valley.

After the ceremony, there was a wedding reception at the home of the bride's parents, 606 Castro street, which was attended by a large number of friends of the young people.

After the reception, the young husband and wife took their departure for the South where they will pass a very pleasant honeymoon.

The bride is daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. J. O'Neill who formerly resided in this city but who, now, make their home on the other side of the bay.

The groom is one of the best known young men in this city. He has resided in West Oakland all his life and has been identified with all the popular, progressive movements which have been made in that section. For the last three years, he has been the Clerk of the Police Court of this city and has discharged the duties of the office with both fidelity and ability.

After the return of the couple from the honeymoon they will establish their home at 867 Peralta street.

CHRISTMAS COTILLION.

Last night the Christmas cotillion of the Friday Night Dancing Club took place in Reed Hall and proved in every way a most enjoyable affair. The hall was decorated in a most beautiful manner, and the favors, which were unique, were in keeping with the ornamentation. The music was excellent, and everybody entered into the spirit of the occasion with a heartiness which made the evening pass in a most pleasurable manner.

Those in the first set comprised Miss Isabelle Kenna, Miss Ada Kenna, Miss May Coogan, Miss Edith Downing, Miss Alice Conklin, Miss Ethel Friend, Miss Dottie Everson, Miss Edith Beck, Miss Emma Smith, Miss Jean Downey, Miss Bessie Fillmore, Miss Ethel Crellin, Miss Katherine Oliver, Miss Ethel Sims, Miss Irene Bangs, Miss Jacqueline Moore, Miss Cordelia Bishop, Miss Anita Oliver, Miss Caroline Williams, Miss Marion Smith, the Misses May and Winifred Burdge.

The invited guests were as follows: Miss Sadie Alexander, Miss Jessie Alexander, Miss Elsie Ames, Miss Edna Berry, Miss Florence Boone, Miss Jessie Brangs, Miss Daisy Belden, Miss Irene Bangs, Miss Adah Brown, Miss Edith Beck, Miss Ballard, Miss Lucretia Burnham, Miss Cordelia Bishop, Miss May Burdge, Miss Winifred Burdge, Miss Jean Clift, Miss Maud Cheek, Miss Alice Conklin, Miss Hazel Cope, Miss Martha Coffin, Miss Jennie Crellin, Miss Ethel Crellin, Miss Helen Chase, Miss May Coogan, Miss Claire Chabot, Miss Norma Castle, Miss Harriet Calkins, Miss Marie Cheeseborough, Miss Mollie Conners, Miss Ruth Dunham, Miss Carol Day, Miss Edith Downing, Miss Jean Downey, Miss Grace Dawson, Miss Alice Downing, Miss Mabel Donaldson, Miss Helen Davis, Miss Elsie Everson, Miss Bessie Fillmore, Miss Elsie Farnham, Miss Florence French, Miss Fore, Miss Leslie Green, Miss Marion Goodfellow, Miss Bertha Goolrich, Miss Alice Graham, Miss California Gibson, Miss Charlotte Hall, Miss Florence Hayden, Miss Sadie Hazelrigg, Miss Louise Hager, Miss Lily Jeanes, Miss Ethel Jerome, Miss Ada Kenna, Miss Ruth Knowles, Miss Kathleen Kent, Miss Pearl King, Miss Florence Louden, Miss Beth Livermore, Miss Mary McClure, Miss Flora McPermot, Miss Mollie Mathes, Miss Hazel McGraw, Miss Eleanor MacGowan, Miss Jacqueline Moore, Miss Lillie Moller, Miss Phoebe McElrath, Miss McCormack, Miss Meyer, Miss Helen Nelson, Miss Alice Nelson, Miss Kittie Oliver, Miss Anita Oliver, Miss Carrie Palmanteer, Miss Lillian Remillard, Miss Bessie Reed, Miss Ethel Richardson, Miss Lillian Saltonstall, Miss Mary Shafter, Miss Katherine Stone, Miss Edith Schultz, Miss Marion Smith, Miss Blanche Tisdale, Miss Mabelle Toy, Miss Florence Taylor, Miss Ida Wickson, Miss Helen Winchester, Miss Della West, Miss Caroline Williamson, Miss Mabel Wilcox, Miss Florence White, Miss Lalla Wenzelburger, Miss Eleanor Warner, Miss Effie Wade, Miss Mary Young, Frank Baird, Fred Beamer, Naylor Bell, Irving Burrell, Frank Ballard, Walter Bakewell, Gerard Clement, Herbert Check, Bert Chandler, Ambrose Condon, W. Kay Crawford, John Dilbert, George Davis, Hewitt Davenport, Budd Dunn, Fred Dieckman, Frank Dutton, Lawrence Hyde, Dick Hyde, Ray Hanna, Victor Henderson, Hiram Hall, John Isaacs, Will Jordan, Ed Jack, James Kerna, Arthur Kales, Joseph King, Ed King, Arthur Kelley, Thomas Knowles, Fred Kendall, Harry Kluegel, Fred Brown, Ned Beck, Cleve Baker, John Beamer, Wallace Beaston, Harold Bruley, Fred Bain, H. Baxter, Will Creed, Everett Coffin, Garrison, Roger Chickering, Frank Evans, Ashley Faull, Arthur Foster, Will Gillette, Kenneth Gregory, Percy Gazkill, Fred Gowing, Hugh Goodfellow, Lawrence Green, George Gage, Frank Gerard, Harold Howard, George Herrick, Parker Holt, Jack Henshaw, Shirley Houghton, Harry Howard, Ed Hume, Jack Hoffman, William Hush, Jack Hayes, Whipple Hall, Thomas Haskins, Barclay Henley, Frank Lohse, Herbert Landers, Louis MacDermot, Roy Mathews, Victor Metcalf Jr., Mac Mhoon, Stanley Moore, John Mott, Eggleson March, Ralph Merrill, Robert Mitchell, Ralph McCormick, Harry Malone, R. Nicholson, Charles Norris, Frank Noyes, Paul Otey, Murray Orrick, Will Orrick, Roland Oliver, Edwin Oliver, Ralph Phelps, Seymour Phelan, Ed Pierce, Charles Pringle, Covington Pringle, John Posey, Hugh Russell, Ben Reed, Will Roth, Archie Ross, William Robbins, Oscar Schlessinger, Rudolph Schilling, Geo. Sessions, Harry Sessions, Boswell Sawyer, Norris Stark, Herd Spence, Robert Sherman, Max Taft, Jack Valentine, Harry Williamson, Stanley Walton, Will Walton, Raymond Wilson, William White, Wilder Wight, Hart Wilcox, Gayley Wilcox, Thornton White, Lloyd Wamble, Shirley Walker, Moulton Warner, Albert Willard, Josiah White, Elwood Woodburn, Russell Williams and Arthur Walsh.

RANSOME--HUTCHINSON.

Last Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock Miss Martha Hutchinson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Hutchinson of 730 Eighth street, was married to Bernard Ransome. The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride's parents, Rev. Robert Ritchie of St. Paul's Episcopal Church officiating. It took place exactly a year from the hour of the marriage of the bride's sister, Belle, to William Pringle. Mrs. Pringle acted as attendant and wore the dress in which she became a bride a year ago. The best man was Prentiss Hutchinson, a brother of the bride. The ushers were Edward Sessions and Dwight Hutchinson, the latter also a brother of the bride. Miss Hutchinson was attired in an elegant toilet of white satin, garnitured with old lace on bodice and sleeves. A long veil and a bouquet of lilies of the valley completed the costume. The bride was given away by her father in the parlor, where the service was read. The parlors were bright with ferns, smilax and bamboo, while flowers also were employed.

After the ceremony there was a banquet, which was attended by about seventy-five people.

Those who sat at the bride's table were, Miss Ida Belle Palmer, Miss Ethel Valentine, Miss E. McNear, Mrs. William Bull Pringle, Miss Carrie Haven, Miss Hess Pringle, Miss Caroline McDougal of Mare Island, and the Messrs. William Bull Pringle, Silas Palmer, Edward Sessions, Charles Lathrop, Prentiss and Dwight Hutchinson.

A CARD PARTY.

Last Wednesday Mrs. Henry K. Field gave a pleasant card party at her home, 7017 Paru street, Alameda. The house was prettily decorated with Christmas berries and greens. About sixty people were present.

A NEW YEAR'S MARRIAGE.

The wedding of Miss Helen Siegfried, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Siegfried of Alameda, to Hermann F. Ulrichs of San Francisco will take place at 6:30 o'clock on New Year's day. The bride will be attended by her sister, Miss Alice Siegfried and the groom by his brother, John C. Ulrichs.

MARRIED IN NEW YORK.

News has been received here of the marriage in New York of Dr. Bertha Borchers of this city. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Nellie Borchers of Oakland and formerly resided at 1365 Castro street. The groom is Dr. Melton W. Franklin of San Francisco.

ENJOYABLE PARTY.

A delightful evening was spent last Saturday at the residence of Mrs. C. Flathmann, 867 Adeline street, when her son, Mr. William C. Flathmann, entertained a number of friends.

The early part of the evening was spent playing games. At 10.45 o'clock the guests sat down to supper.

After supper dancing was indulged in until an early hour in the morning. The house was beautifully decorated with smilax and Chinese lanterns.

Among those present were: Miss A. Hayes, Miss A. Westermann, Miss L. Westermann, Miss O. Westermann, Miss A. Johnson, Miss S. Johnson, Miss H. Brunning, Miss G. Wulff, Miss P. Peterson, Miss E. Dorothy, Miss E. Larsen, Miss R. Whitaker, Miss I. Byrne, Miss L. Younk, Miss L. Bower, Miss T. Flathmann, Miss L. Flathmann, Mr. W. Stout, Mr. G. Flick, Mr. H. Husing, Mr. G. Schiper, Mr. E. Kletzer, Mr. L. Schiper, Mr. C. Young, Mr. J. Carrick, Mr. O. Cooke, Mr. A. Corde, Mr. J. Wulff, Mr. E. Kletzer, Mr. W. Flathmann, Mr. C. Dorthe, Mr. Johnson, Mr. G. Peterson, Mr. D. Blood.

COMING WEDDING.

The wedding of Miss Agnes Elise Guilbault and Dr. Oliver L. Jones, which takes place on Christmas eve at the home built by Dr. Jones at Thirteenth and Clay streets will be a very pretty one. The bride will wear an ivory peau de sole gown, trimmed with real lace and chiffon, the lace on the skirt to be looped up with white roses. She will carry a bouquet of bride roses, her only ornament being a diamond sunburst, the gift of the groom. The bridesmaid will be Miss Lillian Penberthy, a cousin of the bride. Miss Penberthy will be gowned in green silk covered with white chiffon. Little Blanche Penberthy will be the ring bearer. Homer E. Guilbault, the bride's brother, will attend the groom. The rooms where the wedding will take place will be decorated with holly berries, roses and maidenhair fern.

GOLF CLUB DINNER.

One of the largest and jolliest dinners of the week was that given at the Oakland Golf Club. There were forty guests. The club rooms were handsomely decorated and the affair was one of the most enjoyable social events of the season.

TWENTY-MINUTE CLUB.

The closing out sale of the "Twenty Minute Club" was held at the residence of Mrs. J. W. Scott, and a delightful time was had. It was a profitable twenty minutes for the ladies, as they realized $36 from the sale.

OAKLAND COTILLION.

The Oakland Cotillion Club will hold its next meeting at Reed Hall on New Year's night. Miss Florence Selby will lead the cotillion. She was to have been assisted by Miss Carrie Haven, but the death of the latter's brother has of course necessitated a change in the plans.

THE CARMEN'S BALL.

The Carmen's Social and Benevolent Society of Oakland will give its annual ball at Reed's Hall, February 11th. This will be the largest ball of the season, judging from the success of last year's ball, when 500 tickets were sold.

The committee of arrangements is composed of D. Hughes, W. E. Watkins, C. McDonald, J. W. Smith, J. Wilkes and W. Chrles.

ENJOYABLE SURPRISE.

A very enjoyable surprise party was tendered to Miss Annie V. Peterson by her many friends, at her home on Union street, in honor of her birthday. There were some fine musical selections rendered, also games, followed by a delicious repast. Among those present were: Misses Susie Dickele, Miss Alice Johnson, Misses Alice and Laura Bishop, Misses Henrietta and Annie Christiarsen, Miss Hilda Henderickson, Mrs. B. P. Pacheco, Mrs. A. C. Brown and daughter, Mrs. L. Peterson, Adolph Lee, J. McCarthy, Tr. Friedman, J. S. Drummond, J. Brown, Louis Lube, A. Brown, H. H. Jones, Prof. A. D. Pacheco, Ernest Peterson, O. W. Peterson and daughter.

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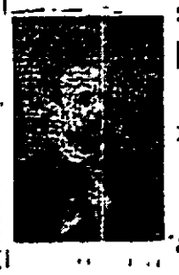
ACTIVITY IN OIL FIELDS.

The Occidental Oil Co. are erecting 25 derricks on their lands in Kern County and material has been purchased for a great many more. Great quantities of supplies are on the ground and a short season of activity will place the Occidental among the foremost producers in California.

The King Phillip, a sub company of the Occidental, is expecting a strike at every foot. Occidental stocks and stocks of all sub companies of the Occidental will be of great value in a short time.

Moran & Goldberg are the managers of the Oakland office, where all particulars and further information can be obtained.

They report the sale of a great many certificates of stock which are destined for Christmas gifts. Not a bad idea.



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OAKLAND'S FINE NEW DIRECTORY.

Oakland's Population is Still on the Increase.

The new directory of Oakland, Alameda and Berkeley was promised for the first of the year and it will be out on time, or rather a few days ahead of time. It is in the bindery and will be ready for delivery on the 26th day of December. Any subscriber who is in haste for his book can get it by calling at THE TRIBUNE office on or after the 26th.

The new volume presents a handsome appearance. It is printed on the best quality of laid paper and well bound in cloth. It is somewhat smaller than the last edition, as it does not include the county outside the three cities mentioned. A count of the names, however, shows that 1,986 more names are reported for Oakland than in the last book. This would indicate an increase of population. There are 40,150 names in the Oakland department. Deducting 6,000 for Emeryville, Fruitvale and the outlying districts covered by the directory canvass but not inside the city limits would give 34,150 names for Oakland proper. Taking the population as reported by the census bureau, 66,960, and allowing for names of firms and corporations it would appear that Mr. Husted has taken more than 50 per cent of all names. This, he says, is too large a percentage. Eastern directory publishers never take more than 40 per cent and many only 33 1-3 per cent. The canvassers for the Oakland do not take married ladies, children under 16, or Chinese. These constitute about 75 per cent of the entire population, so that 45 per cent would be a conservative estimate of names taken. This would give a population of 75,888, or 8,928 more than we are credited with by the census enumerators. Upon this subject Mr. Husted says:

"The director of the eleventh census wrote me a letter from Washington some months ago requesting me to give him an estimate of the population of Oakland. I made a very careful calculation from quite reliable data and replied that it would not vary more than a few hundred from 75,000. The result of my recent canvass, I think, justifies that figure. I will give an illustration of the directory publisher's ability to make close estimates of population. In 1890, just before the tenth census was taken the Examiner offered prizes for the closest guesses as to population of certain cities and towns, among them Berkeley. A friend said to me one day his little boy was sending in some guesses, and asked me to estimate the population of Berkeley. I did so, using the same kind of data and the same methods I employed in estimating the population of Oakland for the census. My estimate came within three of the exact population.

"I cannot avoid the conclusion that a very substantial percentage of Oakland's population was missed by the enumerators. Indeed, I know that some of them took only the head of the house and his immediate family, omitting to take boarders, lodgers or servants. If this rule was followed by any considerable number of enumerators the loss would be enormous."

The new directory contains the usual amount of valuable information, including revised street guides for all three cities and a complete business classification. Like the dictionary, the directory is rather too disjointed to make very exciting reading but it furnishes many interesting and some amusing things to the philologist or searcher of pedigrees. Hume mentions one of the Puritan followers of Cromwell whose name was Barebones. In those days it was quite the proper things to give children Scriptural texts for names. The parents of this Barebones christened him "If-Christ-had-not-died-for-me-I-would-have-been-damned Barebones." His companions in arms thought the name too long and only used the last two words.

There used to be an old sign at an entrance on Broad street, N. Y., that read as follows: "I Ketchum and U Cheatham." It was the entrance to the offices of Isaiah Ketchum and Uriah Cheatham, Attorneys at Law. Notwithstanding this rather discouraging outside announcement, I believe the firm enjoyed an excellent reputation and a very lucrative practice.

Names originally seem to have been coined from something in nature. In the Oakland Directory we have such names as Appel, Peach, Plum, Trees, Vineyard, Meadow, Hill, Dale, Brook, Rivers, Mountain, Forest, Grass, Colors, are very common, Green, White, Black, Brown, Gray, Redfield, Redhouse.

Occupation fixed many names, Smith, Clark (clerk,) Cook, Merchant, Farmer, Fisher, Hunter.

Poverty in names probably led to the use of such as Johnson (John'son,) Jackson, Williamson, Samson, Jacobson, Stephenson, etc. Also such as Littlejohn, Bigjohn (Grandjean) Newman, Otherman.

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Oakland seems to have a few peculiarities in names. A casual glance at the Directory discloses any number of queer combinations, Euphonious or otherwise. Harrison G. Happy, Alemby Jump, Wigo Kiel, Anton Hjelte, Sohawa Singh, Saml Stijepacich, Jack Ukropina, Simon Peter, Mrs. Iowa C. Pilling. Kirkhoff & Sindlar are manufacturers of pies. Chester Chipchase is an Alameda student. Mrs. Lucy C. Gossip is followed by Mr. G. Goteill. No doubt some of the most peculiar names are the result of errors on the part of canvasser or printer. In the last edition may be found the name of "Clem I. Hahn" whom very few of his acquaintances would recognize as the genial Emil C. Hahn, Wells, Fargo & Company's agent at West Oakland. If you will observe, the two names contain the same letters. Mr. Hahn's name was "set" in type and "run in" on the "galley." The "Devil" "pied" it in "proving" and instead of looking up the "copy" to see what it was he guessed with the above result. The study of names, their origin and meaning is a fascinating occupation and the Oakland Directory seems to afford a wide field for that kind of investigation.

UNFILLED POSITIONS

MANY MORE CALLS FOR GRADUATES THAN COULD BE SUPPLIED AT

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During the last four months, that is September, October, November and December to date, over sixty positions have come into the College for stenographers, book-keepers and clerks, more than could be filled. In other words, every student in the College who was qualified for, and desired employment, had been placed, and this was the surplus inquiry. Eighteen positions were thus lost in September, nineteen in October, six in November, and sixteen in December to date, as published herewith. These do not include some confidential calls. This record shows that the field of commercial employment is very far from being overcrowded. The many who hesitate about acquiring a business education, for fear such is the case, may be reassured. There is and always will be plenty of room for the competent.

Unfilled Positions in September.

H. Steele, Merchant Tailor, Market street—
Stenographer and Bookkeeper, fair salary for beginner.

Holt Bros., Hardware and Lumber, 38 Main street—
Stenographer and Bookkeeper, fair salary for beginner.

Mr. Nixon, banker, Winnemucca, Nev.—
Stenographic Secretary, experienced man, good salary.

Market Street Railway Co., Wells, Fargo & Co Building, Second and Mission streets—
Stenographer, good salary. (This position was afterwards filled by a former graduate.)

C. Moore & Co., 32 First Street—
Stenographer, good salary for experienced writer

The Towle Bros. Co., Lumber Dealers, Towle, Placer county—
Stenographer and bookkeeper, good salary

California Northwestern Railway Co., 222 Sansome street—
Stenographer, good salary

J. S. C. Thompson, 310 Safe Deposit Building—
Stenographer, salary, $60 per month.

Southern Pacific Co., 4 Montgomery street—
Stenographer, good salary for experienced man.

E. Reinhart Co., General Merchandise, Winnemucca, Nev.
Stenographer and Bookkeeper, salary, $60 per month.

Byron Jackson Co., Agricultural Machinery, Fourth and Bluxome streets—
Stenographer, fair salary

Blue Lakes Water Co.—
Secretary to Manager, salary about $50 per month and expenses.

Galli Fruit Co., 516 Sansome street—
Stenographer, beginners salary, excellent opportunity.

Market Street Railway Co., Wells, Fargo & Co's Building—
Stenographer (This application was in addition to the one noted above)

Pacific Improvement Co., 140, 152 Crocker Building—
Stenographer, good salary

The Sanger Lumber Company, Sanger, Cal.—
Stenographer, commencing salary, $60 per month

Dolbeer & Carson, 10 California street, city—
Stenographer, fair beginner's salary.

Lucke's Shoe Store, 830-834 Market street—
Stenographer and Bookkeeper, fair beginner's salary.

Unfilled Positions in October.

Luigi Lastreto, Commission Merchant, 318 Front street, Clerk—
Mr. Lastreto is Consul for Ecuador and Nicaragua, and this was an excellent opportunity for a bright young man.

American Tract Society, 16 Grant avenue, Bookkeeper—
This position was for a lady.

Levenson & Co., Wooden and Willow Ware, 209 Front street, Assistant Bookkeeper—
A small salaried position for a beginner, but with good opportunities.

The Southern Pacific Company, Freight Department, King street, Stenographer—
The salary offered was from $40 to $60 per month, according to capacity. A good stenographer who enters the service of the Southern Pacific Company has excellent prospects.

George Greenzweig & Co., 206 Kearney street, Wholesale Jewelers, Bookkeeper and Stenographer.
This was an opening for a young man. Salary according to ability.

I. Dannenbaum, Wholesale Liquors and Cigars, Vallejo, Bookkeeper.
Mr. Dannenbaum writes, "We are in need of a young man who understands bookkeeping. He must come well recommended, be neat in his appearance, and if satisfactory, will prove a good chance for the future." There was not a young man available.

Geo. E. Dow, Pumping Engine Co., 179 First street, Office Clerk—
"We would prefer a boy having home influence if possible. If you could have one that would answer the requirements kindly send him." This position could not be filled

Jno. Martin, Electrical Contractor and Engineer, 31-33 New Montgomery street, Stenographer—
Mr. H. R. Noack, who was good enough to advise the College of this vacancy, was a graduate of about four years ago. He entered the employment of Jno. Martin immediately after leaving the school, and is now in receipt of a very good salary, with a promising future. He said the firm would pay from $30 to $60 per month, according to ability, and that there was a splendid opportunity to learn the technicalities of electrical commodities which would be valuable and available knowledge.

W. M. Duval, Importer and Agent, 221 Front street, Stenographer—
This position came in through favor of Mr Benjamin R. Sheyer, who has been with this firm since his graduation from Heald's some years ago. Mr. Sheyer said it was an excellent opening.

C. W. R. Ford & Co., Silks and Trimmings, 116 Sutter street, Stenographer and Assistant Bookkeeper.
Mr. P. C. Gerhardt, who called in reference to this position, entered the employment of Ford & Co immediately after graduation three years ago. His duties were those of assistant bookkeeper. Afterwards he was promoted to full charge, and was then sent out as a traveler. Mr Gerhardt said that a bright young man could make himself worth $75 a month at the end of a year

Pacific Coast Lumber and Furniture Mfg. Co., Port Orford, Or., Stenographer and Bookkeeper—
Salary $20 per month with board and lodging. Good accommodations. Not much bookkeeping required, but must be quick at figures

J. O. Meyerink, Commission Merchant, Sansome street, Stenographer, Bookkeeper and Spanish Correspondent—
A lady preferred. Good salary.

A. Zellerbach & Sons, Wholesale Paper, 149 Clay street, Stenographer—
Young man.

Harry Una & Co., 115 Battery street, Typewriter and Bill Clerk.

H. N. Newcomb, Oat Hill, Napa Co., Stenographer. This was a good position for a young man, with a mining company.

J. M. Wright Co. Inc., Druggists' Sundries, 508 Market street.
Office boy. The work was to make out bills, operate typewriter and do general office work. Beginner's salary.

Milwaukee Furniture Co., 932-934 Howard street, Stenographer and Bill Clerk.—
Position for young man. Fair beginner's salary.

Samuel Bloom & Sons, Glove, Saddlery and Shoe Leather, 105 Clay street, Stenographer. Position for young man.

Sanford Bros., Commission Merchants, 410-412 Merchant street, Stenographer and General Office Work—
This call was for a young man who understood shorthand, billing, simple entry posting, banking, etc. A liberal commencement salary was offered.

Unfilled Positions in November.

J. Becker, Furniture, 27 New Montgomery street.
Stenographer. A young man was wanted, one without experience would have done.

Fresno Alpha Oil Co., Rooms 6 and 7, Mills Building.
Stenographer. This inquiry was for a lady.

Alexander & Baldwin, Ltd., Shipping and Commission Merchants, 308 Market street, Assistant Bookkeeper and Stenographer—
This position was for one of the sugar plantations in the Hawaiian Island. Salary, $60 per month with board, together with an advance of $100 for passage and expenses, which would be allowed if the employee remained for two years. Not a single Heald's Business College graduate could be found who was willing to charge his employment, and as there was no one in the school sufficiently advanced, we were unable to supply this vacancy.

D. W. & E. Walter & Co., Carpets, etc., 528 Market street.
Office Boy. The duties of this position were assistant, bill making, banking, collecting and to handle lots of money. The salary offered was $20 to $25 a month with advance according to ability. The school had no one to send

G. W. Langan, Attorney-at-Law, Livermore, Cal.
Stenographer. Mr. Langan wanted a young man who wished to study law. The salary offered would have enabled the learner to provide for himself comfortably until he was ready to seek admission to practice. The offer was an excellent one. We know this because we have tested it. One of our former graduates, who went to Livermore under these conditions some five years ago, is now an attorney with an office in this city, and is doing well for a young practitioner.

Phelps & Adams, Jewelers' Agents, 120 Sutter street, Stenographer.
Position for a young man.

Southern Pacific Co., Stenographer—
A young man was wanted in the Claims Department.

A Mining Co. in Placerville, Bookkeeper—
Several days were spent in looking up graduates to see if any were out of employment, but none could be found. This excellent position was consequently lost.

"I desire to employ for a company doing business here, a bookkeeper. What I am wanted is a young man who is reliable and competent to take charge of a set of books pertaining to the general business of a Water and Mining Company. He must be able to take hold and carry on the bookkeeping without older instruction in a methodical and proper manner. He must be a graduate of a San Francisco Business College. The employment will be regular and the salary to begin with $75 per month.

WILLIAMS & WELMORE
Attorneys-at-Law.

Unfilled Positions in December to the 20th

Norwich Union Fire Ins. Society, 314 California street—
"Junior Clerk," copying, etc

F. W. Spencer, 126 Kearny street—
Bookkeeping and office work.

Robertson & Nippert, 216 Sansome street—
Stenographer.

The Alaska-Snettisham Gold Mining Co., Juneau, Alaska—
Bookkeeper and Assayer.

E. A. Lemoine, Merchant Tailor, 331 Kearny street—
Bookkeeper and office man.

Lietre, Fricke & Co., 215 Market St.—
Bookkeeper, experienced lady

Binder Bros., Commission Merchants, Third wharf—
Experienced bookkeeper for their country office.

Hooker & Co., Vehicles, Bicycles, Implements—
Bookkeeper.

Hale Bros. Inc., 937-947 Market St.—
Bill Clerk.

New York Belting and Packing Co., 509 Market street—
Assistant Bookkeeper.

Elgin Nat'l Watch Co., 206 Kearney street—
Bookkeeper and Stenographer.

Gordon & Young, Attorneys, 14 Sansome street—
Stenographer.

A Ottinger, Ticket Broker, 620 Market street—
Office Boy.

W. B. Summer & Co., Dealers in Leather, Wool and Skins, 417 Front street, San Francisco—
Stenographer and Bill Clerk.

Herzog & Dahl, Electrical Machinery, 31 Main street, San Francisco.
Bookkeeper of experience

The Original Creamerie, 865 Market street—
Bookkeeper.

NEW GAS KITCHEN.

A Dining Parlor Oakland May Well Feel Proud Of.

What will compare favorably with the handsomest and best equipped restaurant in the State can be seen at 515 and 517 Thirteenth street. We refer to the new Gas Kitchen that opened its doors last Saturday and has met with the signal success it so well deserves. This elegant and well appointed restaurant is conducted by Mr. J. J. Marcovich and Mr. A. Cleca'k, both of whom are well and favorably known in this city, who for years presided over the old and favorite Gas Kitchen on Washington street. The two gentlemen named have a legion of friends gained by their courtesy to their numerous patrons, and they intend in the future to make the new Gas Kitchen more popular than the old stand, if strict attention, politeness, promptness, the best of everything at reasonable prices can accomplish that end. The new quarters is neatly arranged and is in every way a model, up-to-date dining-parlor for ladies and gentlemen. The high standard of the culinary department, which has made the old Gas Kitchen famous, will be maintained, or improved upon, if such a thing is possible. Epicures and connoisseurs will at all times find everything the market affords at this perfectly arranged restaurant, and the popular proprietors giving their sole attention to their guests and with an experienced chef, it means the new Gas Kitchen starts out on the wave of prosperity from its inception.

AN OAKLAND INSTITUTION

The Polytechnic Business College More Popular Than Ever.

Among the city's private educational institutions there is none that stands higher, and in which our citizens take greater pride than the Polytechnic Business College, located at the corner of Twelfth and Clay streets.

It is an inspiration to anyone to visit this institution, and to be shown through its spacious and elegantly equipped apartments, and to see the hundreds of earnest young men and women at work, who are there for the purpose of preparing themselves for the active duties and business pursuits of life. The college now enrolls annually between five and six hundred students. They come not only from Oakland, and the adjoining cities, but from all parts of the State and coast. This school enjoys the reputation of being first among the commercial schools of the Pacific Coast.

The two factors which have contributed most to the success and growth of this college have been the abundant financial assistance it has enjoyed from its inception, and the strong educational direction on the part of its principals. The school is under the control of Prof. W. E. Gibson, business manager, A. V. Feight superintendent, and H. C. Ingram secretary. They are all men of scholarly attainments, and of wide and successful educational and business experience.

Handkerchiefs!

Our entire stock of Holiday Handkerchiefs will be closed out on Monday.

50 doz. 10c handkerchiefs	sale price	5c
50 doz 12½c handkerchiefs	"	10c
25 doz 15c silk handkerchiefs	"	12½c
100 doz. 20c silk handkerchiefs	"	17c
50 doz. 35c silk handkerchiefs	"	25c
25 doz. 50c silk handkerchiefs	"	35c
STRAIGHT FRONT French gored corsets		1 00
STRAIGHT FRONT French gored corsets		1 50
GIRDLES—white, pink, blue, black		1.00
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ROONEY CANNOT RECOVER MONEY.

The City Council does not possess the power to refund money paid to the city for licenses, even though the money was illegally collected. Owen F. Rooney has a saloon and restaurant at Oakland pier and was called upon to pay a liquor license. In the suit of the Oakland water front cases it was decided that the limits of the city of Oakland extended only to low-water tide, and this fixed Rooney and his saloon outside of the city. Thereupon the City Council passed an ordinance refunding the sum of $1,000 to Rooney for the amount of license he had paid, but the Auditor refused to pay the demand. In a suit brought Rooney was worsted and he appealed. The Supreme Court gave no relief, the court holding that Rooney should have known that he was without the limits of Oakland, for the charter fixed the boundaries for the city, and no matter if he paid the tax under protest it was in a measure a voluntary payment.

NOTED ACTRESS WEDS.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire

LONDON, Dec. 22—Forbes Robertson, the actor-manager, and Miss Gertrude Elliott, sister of Maxine Elliott, were married this afternoon at All Souls Church, Southampstead. The ceremony was most quiet. There were no bridesmaids, but the bride was supported by Mrs. Madeline Reilly, the playwright. Norman Forbes was the best man.

HERE'S A PRAIRIE POEM

An alleged offer of $1,000 for the best rhyme for Michigan brought out the following from a country paper in Illinois:
"I knew a young lady from Michigan;
To meet her I never would wichigan.
She'd eat of ice-cream
'Till with pain she would scream,
And she'd order another big dichigan."

HEALD'S BUSINESS COLLEGE

Close of the Most Prosperous Year of This Old and Reliable Institution.

Heald's Business College, 24 Post street, San Francisco, is closing the most prosperous year of nearly forty years of steady growth and development.

This school is now one of the national schools, an institution whose reputation is nation wide. It is even more, for it gathers students from the four quarters of the globe. They come from every State in the Union, from Canada, Mexico, the Islands, Japan, England, Germany, France and other old world countries. It is a metropolitan and cosmopolitan institution and attracts the best students from all lands. While its reputation goes abroad, the prestige and influence at home makes it a source of pride not only to the managers, but also to lovers of legitimate educational effort. Every California boy who intends to engage in business aspires to a course at Heald's.

At the Paris Exposition it was awarded the silver medal, notwithstanding it had no personal representative there to promote its interests.

The enrollment for 1900 is the largest in the history of the institution and for 1901 there will be a further increase.

Prof. E. P. Heald, the founder and president of the college, is still in active service as chief executive officer. He is ably assisted by Professor J. H. Aydelotte, vice-president, who some months ago disposed of his popular Oakland school to transfer his efforts to a larger field with greater opportunities.

Laufer, The Optician.

No optician in Oakland has a higher reputation in his line of business than Mr. F. W. Laufer, who is located at the northwest corner of Tenth and Washington streets. His trade has increased at a wonderful rate, and this is due to the high standing this gentleman enjoys since his advent in his present location some fifteen months ago. Those desiring their eyesight treated can depend upon consulting an occulist of high merit when they visit Mr. Laufer for that purpose.

Short of Cash.

We are glad to open an account with you. We invite your kind inspection of our tailor made suits, skirts, waists, jackets, capes, boas, etc. Not cheap goods at cheap prices, but high class goods at popular prices is our motto. Eastern Outfitting Co., 516 Fourteenth street, between Washington and Clay.

Christmas Rockers at Auction.

Prices—without doubt the finest assortment in Oakland. Polished oak, cobbler seat, willow, in endless variety. Fancy couches, parlor tables. You ought to see our immense stock at bedrock prices at the big store at 412 Eleventh street. See the name, E. C. LYON, the King.

CASTORIA.
Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

Silk, Velvet, Plush or Wool

Lap robes make nice Christmas presents. We have the largest assortment at lowest prices. Oakland Carriage and Implement Co., 366 Twelfth street.

The famous Gilt Edge Whiskey is for sale by first class dealers in your community, and is especially recommended to those who have not tried it. Call for it the next time you want a good whiskey.

Prompt Delivery

Of your belongings to all parts of Alameda county and S. F. is insured by the People's Express Co., whose Oakland office is located at the corner of 9th st. and Broadway. The company takes this opportunity, of thanking its many patrons and friends and wishing them a merry Christmas. A continuance of patronage is solicited. The past good service will be maintained.

SOUTHFIELD WELLINGTON COAL, order from any coal dealer.

Dainty Lunch.

Ladies when shopping down town will find the "Belgian" Restaurant, 465 Washington street, a neat and splendid place to dine. Full course lunch 20c. Short orders all day. Coffee and cakes 10c. Prompt service.

For the Holidays.

Remember P. Fontaine's Liquor Store 525 San Pablo avenue for your holiday supply of the best wines and liquors.

Allen's Press Clipping Bureau

510 Montgomery street, San Francisco. Established 1886. Furnishes newspaper clippings and information on all topics, business and personal

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A Puzzle for Santa Claus

—it must be as to how he will get an article bigger than the chimney down to its destination, as it is to others how to buy a piano when they haven't the amount of money necessary.

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W. G. Palmanteer Scores the Cheap Politicians

How to Make Oakland a Great City

By W. G. PALMANTEER

I am a very busy man just now, and writing for the newspapers is not my vocation and little to my taste. But, as you have requested my views on the conditions and outlook for Oakland, I will say a few words as to how things appear to me at this time. I speak from the standpoint of personal observation in the business world.

For many years Oakland has been overburdened with a nasty scum of cheap politicians and small-fry demagogues, who are a positive injury to the community.

To serve their own ends, they have kept up a continuous assault upon capital and industry, and, today Oakland is suffering from the effects of this persistent course of harassment and vilification directed against the promoter of every large enterprise. A man has only to invest large sums in this city and do something substantial in the way of building it up to become the object of attack on the part of this pernicious class.

PREJUDICE AGAINST RAILROADS.

The constant efforts to stir up popular prejudice against every quasi-public corporation, and, especially the railroads, are mischievous beyond measure. They disgust large business men with the narrow, vindictive spirit that prevails in our public affairs, discourage investment, and drives business elsewhere For years the railroad has been singled out as the object of especial attack. Abuse of it has been deemed the only sure road to political preferment. The chief qualification for every municipal office, however small, is antagonism, either real or simulated to the railroad. All the poor sticks in town are veneered with a holy light if they only denounce the railroad.

Every man with an itch for office betrays his longing by hurling defiance at the railroads and accusing them of every crime in the calendar. A majority of the class of politicians that have been in control of the city government think it impossible to obtain office unless they express hatred for the railroads, yet, there is no city of its size in the country that is so well served by railroads as Oakland; no city that owes more to railroads. Such methods are detrimental to our city. They are insincere for the most part and convey the impression to thoughtful men that hypocrisy is added to something still more sinister in these persistent attacks upon public enterprises. Nevertheless, they breed a spirit of hostility toward capital in the minds of the ignorant and unthinking, and inspire capitalists with distrust of a community that is apparently animated by such a feeling.

WORK DRIVEN FROM OAKLAND.

Making hostility to the railroads the basis of all political movements here in recent years, has driven away a great deal of work that would otherwise have been done here. But, for that, at least 1000 more men would now be employed in the Oakland shops, and expending from one to two thousand dollars daily among our merchants and tradesmen.

Other artisans and workmen are not putting up houses for those absent workmen to live in, with the result that real estate and the building trades all over the city suffer.

DEMAGOGUES WITHOUT STANDING.

It is paradoxical to ask capital to invest here when the city is dominated by a political clique composed of small demagogues of no business standing or capacity, whose only claim to preferment is an avowed desire to cinch corporate investment. This policy must be changed if the confidence upon which substantial growth and prosperity can alone rest is to be restored. Our public affairs should be placed in the hands of broad minded business men, who possess public confidence and who have the insight to discern the true source of progress If we place men above suspicion such as James Moffitt and A. Schilling of whom there is no lack in Oakland, at the head of our municipal affairs, public officials will not find it necessary to frequent the Courthouse in search of the bubble reputation.

ABUNDANCE OF GOOD MEN.

There is an abundance of good material to choose from in making up an enlightened, broad-minded, progressive government for Oakland if a healthy, robust public sentiment will assert itself vigorously. Until there is a change in the general character and tone of the municipal administration public improvements on an extensive scale will not be sanctioned by the taxpayers, who are anxious enough to have the city improved, but desire some reasonable assurance that the money will be wisely and honestly spent.

Much has been said for some time past about home-trading. Our merchants, and all good people believe the principle to be a magnanimous one, and, consequently, a custom that should be observed. Believing that they merited what they would derive from putting the principle into practice, our business men were ready to listen to the representations of a self-appointed agent when he forced his ideas of the home-trading principle into the ears of everyone from whom he thought there was a chance of securing a donation, such donations to go toward making up a good salary for himself. Naturally, the self-constituted guardian of the mercantile interests of Oakland should be well paid, but, is it necessary to have one?

HOME AND FARMERS' TRADE.

If it is necessary to have a general trade manager for the community, would it not be wise to get a man with a business reputation and business experience? Which way should the merchants go about this proposition of home trading to obtain the best results? The prices received for goods in the days of "forty-nine" are past, and the time never has been nor will ever come when the merchant can sit down and employ an agent to draw trade to his place of business by the lasso method. Home-trading is good, but the trade from the farmers, from the surrounding towns, villages, other cities and remote rural districts is equally good, if not better, and our merchants should not impress this latter class of customers with the idea that they are robbing their own home merchants when they bring their patronage to Oakland.

The success of merchants and tradesmen can only come through their own efforts. A merchant must know the kind and quality of goods best suited to the wants and tastes of his customers—be abreast of the times in business methods and alive to the opportunities presented. They must make their places of business attractive, offer good bargains and make showy displays. Effective and legitimate advertising is always good. Indeed, it cannot be neglected in these rapid days. But, even with all this, there will be no success without energy, capacity and close attention to business.

TAKES MINISTERS TO TASK FOR THEIR PREACHING.

Editor Tribune: Mr J. W Dutton has called attention to some statements of Mr Jacks, and a Mr Lackey seems to object to the statements, but from my point of view the lack of men in the churches does not present the worse part of the case. The anti-Christian principles practiced in daily business transactions by a great host of the men who are in the churches is far worse than the lack of men in the churches I believe I have had a fair chance of observing from within the church, having been a member of several churches more than thirty years.

I believe that the world is growing better, but the churches are not growing better and never will do so by excusing or covering up the wrong within I heard a minister in this city some twenty-seven years ago preach a sermon on 'Tricks in Trade," but he never preached another one like it. He had about the largest congregation in Oakland at that time, and many business men in it, but they would not have that kind of preaching and it was stopped. Would Jesus have stopped that kind of a sermon if his rich hearers had demanded it?

To test the character of our 'smart' preachers, I would like to have all salaries of preachers cut down to almost twelve hundred dollars a year That might reveal what they loved the most, a good salary or a chance to proclaim what they believe to be the truth. I believe there are honest men in the pulpit but from my experience I have absolutely no confidence in any preacher with a large salary. All ministers, so far as I know are opposed to Sunday concerts, in pleasure resorts, which will draw people away from the churches, and yet what minister in Oakland has dared to attack the Sunday concerts in old Blair's park?

Is it not true that the music and other attractions in that park on Sundays are paid for by the Oakland Transit Co, or Realty Syndicate, and that nearly every church in Oakland has members who hold stock in that company? Are not those members making money while in church on Sunday by a business which provides amusements to draw people away from the churches? What public protests have come from pulpits where those members worship?

If ministers, like the newspapers, would take hold of present, daily issues and point out the right and the wrong fearlessly, there would be plenty who would come to hear them, but not when they try to feed the people on theological hash and soup made of theological bones—which may have been of value once—but which have no food left in them now after they have been boiled, baked, fried, roasted, re-boiled, re-baked, re-fried re-roasted, hashed and re-hashed for centuries If the ministers will give people something fresh and point out the wrong, as Peter did at Jerusalem—recorded in the fifth chapter of Acts—or point out what good must be done now, even if they have to leave the pulpit to do it, the common people will come to hear them, the rich may not. The churches must advance or die

A MEMBER OF AN ORTHODOX CHURCH

BEWARE OF BOGUS FLUE INSPECTORS.

Two beardless, oily tongued young men, wearing caps have been going around pretending to be inspectors of flues and chimneys, and by this means have mulcted numerous housewives in sums of $1 50 each, the past two days These men are impostors They ply their nefarious occupation by calling at houses during the absence of the male members of families, and announce that they represent the authority of city flue inspectors under an ordinance passed by the City Council. In most cases the impostors are admitted and after looking about in the rooms where there are stoves or fireplaces, they make a pretended report of "flues in good order" or "out of order and defective," whereupon they demand the fee of $1 50. In this way they have gathered in considerable money.

The matter was reported to Chief of Police Hodgkins this morning, and hopes are entertained for their capture.

German Marshal Dead.

BERLIN, Dec. 22.—Count von Blumenthal, the oldest Field Marshal in the German army, died last night on his estate at Quellendorf, Duchy of Anhalt.

STUDENTS' FAREWELL TO THE HIGH SCHOOL.

The graduating exercises of the Oakland High school were held in the school gymnasium last evening There was a large attendance

The exercises opened with a chorus, "Nymphs of the Air and Ancient Sea" Rev E R Dille delivered the address to the class. There was a chorus, "Night, Lovely Night," and a trio, 'Good Night" by Ethel Lawrence Maude Hiney and L. Christoferson President John Russ of the Board of Education announced the graduates and the class gave the class song the words of which are by Dorothy Jewett.

Rev E R Dille said:

"The coming century should be treated as the greatest of all centuries because of the blessings that the century which is passing has showered on all the land In this day every man can do the service of fifty, and one-tenth can do the other nine-tenths of the population This generation which is just to shoulder the responsibilities of the world is borne up by the others that have gone before You all know the struggles of the pioneers that came to this land not very long ago, but witness now the patrimony that they have left as your own There is the patrimony of youth, which is the most precious legacy that can be given How many men rich in the experience of the world, with millions at their command, would surrender all they possess to once more recall the holiday of youth which you carry with such elastic step and shining eyes People may say of the silvered old man, weak and blear-eyed, 'How rich he is, and of the youth, 'That poor young man,' but the latter is far richer than the other, for he has the joy and energy of youth that makes riches. It is not so much what you are as where you are, and youth places you just where you should be It gives you a potentiality that will accomplish wonders"

The graduates were Ida Emilie Bechtel, Olive Cutting Burroughs Susan Elizabeth Cary, Fred Martin Cotter, Emily Anita Dillon Elizabeth May Folsom, Flora Ornia Frickstad, Louis Alonzo Gianboni, Mary Lucretia Gross, Dorothea Kern Jewett, Harry Edward Kelfer, Mae Isabelle Knight, James Fulton Kutz Walter Booth Macaulay, Florence Louise Malone, Evelyn Maxwell, Albert Monson Meade Victor Nicholson Metcalf, Elizabeth Moran, Agnes Mary Reynolds Robert Thomas Sutherland, James Robert Westdahl, Charles Henry Wilcox, Minnie Elizabeth Williams, Alice Willis, Margaret Wilhelmina Wythe.

BUSY DAYS FOR BANK ROBBERS.

TULLAHOMA, Miss., Dec. 22.—The vaults of the Coffey County Bank at Manchester were blown open early today by five robbers and all the currency in the bank, amounting to $5 000, stolen The robbery was discovered by the town watchman, who notified the authorities at Tullahoma, towards which place the robbers fled on a handcar. A Deputy Sheriff and policemen from Tullahoma met the robbers a mile from town and after a short fight captured the thief with the money. His four companions escaped

The captured robber refuses to disclose his name or the identity of the other four men. He claims to come from Ohio, and it is believed that this is the gang which has been operating recently in that State. Bloodhounds have been put on the trail of the escaped robbers.

ROBBERS SCARED AWAY.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Dec. 22.—Burglars late last night attempted to rob the Exchange Bank at Medison, Ohio, twenty-five miles east of this city They blew open the safe, but were frightened away before securing its contents A man who discovered the burglars at work was seized and bound and gagged.

ROBBERY IN ILLINOIS

DALTON CITY, Ill., Dec. 22.—Between $3,000 and $4 000 was secured by a gang who dynamited the vault of the Dalton City Bank early today. Although a posse was quickly formed, no trace of the robbers has yet been found.

ENGLAND'S ARISTOCRACY WILL CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS IN THE GOOD OLD-FASHIONED WAY.

Daughters of a Hundred Earls Will Dance With Grooms and Cabinet Ministers With Cooks and Ladies' Maids.

LONDON, Dec. 22.—There will be a merry Christmas in England, though in consequence London is already one of the dullest spots in the United Kingdom. The fashionable world has incontinently deserted the metropolis and sought refuge in the country places There will be such a round of house parties as has been unknown for several years They will be accompanied by the revival of the queer old customs which a century ago made the season the occasion for unrestrained merry-making among rich and poor alike. It would seem that those who are able to celebrate realize the necessity for detracting public attention from the events in South Africa.

At Osborne the Queen will be surrounded by the Duke and Duchess of York, the Princess of Battenberg and several of her grandchildren.

PRINCE TO ENTERTAIN.

At Sandringham the Prince of Wales will entertain the Duke and Duchess of Fife and their children with royal Christmas trees Welbeck Abbey, Blenheim Palace, has a filled house and all the stately homes of England's aristocracy are filling up with scores of guests prepared to make the most of yuletide. Balls, amateur theatricals and entertainments without end have been arranged, conspicuous among which is the old English custom of a dance in the servants' hall.

At the Duke and Duchess of Devonshires, Earl and Countess Spencer's, the Marquis and Marchioness of Londonderry's and other places of the nobility, Christmas eve will be marked by the strange spectacle of butlers dancing with duchesses, footmen with countesses and grooms with the daughters of belted earls while ladies maids, chambermaids and cooks will hang on to the arms of Cabinet Ministers and other male heads of illustrious lines. The ancient practice of the land owners enjoying the servants quadrille had almost lapsed except in the case of a few families. The revival is, perhaps, no little due to the increasing necessity for pampering the British servant. The Onlooker says the householders now have to study the comfort of their domestics as much as their own, and quotes one country house where a set of rooms is specially allotted to them for recreation, comprising a ballroom, music-room, library and billiard-room, in which a marker is kept for the servants' sole use.

AN INDIGNANT GOLFER.

In striking contrast to this is the treatment accorded to Bernard Nicholls, the American golfer, who defeated the English crack, Peter Paxton, Thursday. Nicholls, who is of English birth, returned here after having passed many years in America. The Trotting Bee Golf Club compelled him to lunch in the workshop, though the club members were glad to face the December storm to witness his play.

Nicholls said, "Had I never been in America and witnessed the lavish kindness bestowed on Vardon and other English players I might not have resented this treatment, but, you may rest assured I will never remain in England long, and if it were not for meeting Braid Saturday, who is a personal friend, I would not play on another English link. You may depend on it, Vardon will not remain here long, for I know he will be unable to stand this sort of thing after the kindness he has received in the United States.

"The curious thing about it all is that America will soon outstrip England not only in golf playing, but in the manufacture of golf equipment, for they are getting the best talent in England, which, under better auspices, is sure to outstrip the home talent."

MRS MAYBRICK'S CASE

Once again Mrs Florence Maybrick spends an unhappy Christmas in her prison cell. In spite of the various reports her chances of liberty are no brighter than last year. Secretary Hay has forwarded to Mr Choate several private letters which will shortly be presented to the new Home Secretary, Mr. Ritchie, in accordance with the custom of approaching each new occupant of that office

But the Associated Press learns there is no possible chance of anything being done so long as Lord Halsbury is Lord High Chancellor. Were the Cabinet to discuss the matter as it did once before it could only refer it to the Crown's chief advisor, Lord Halsbury, who apparently made the Maybrick case the basis of a feud with the late Lord Chief Justice Baron Russell of Killowen, and cherishes it just as bitterly now as before Lord Russell's death. When a new Chancellor is appointed Mrs. Maybrick will have a good chance of freedom The Duchess of Bedford, who is reported to be especially interested in Mrs Maybrick, tells the Associated Press that she only sees the celebrated prisoner in the course of her regular visits to Aylesbury prison, not especially in the interest of her case and does not intend to express any opinion of her guilt or innocence.

TO BE RAISED TO PEERAGE.

Another American woman is likely to be soon elevated to the British peerage, as Lord Salisbury intends to recognize the right Hon Arthur Hugh Smith-Barris' services to his party by putting him in the House of Lords Mr Smith-Barris married the widow of Mr. Arthur Post of New York, whose sister, Mrs Adair, is also well known in London society.

Others mentioned for a peerage include Henry Cosmo Orme Bonzor, chairman of the Southeastern Railroad, and James Lowther, M. P. Lord Salisbury has already created nearly ninety peers. If the present rate is kept up the upper house will soon be in numerical superiority over the Commons

W. H Hobbs, head of the recently formed Canadian furniture combine now in London, has decided that the Canadians have no need of the assistance or of the co-operation of English financiers, which was originally projected. A significant fact showing Canada's progress is that sufficient funds are easily obtainable there, while the new law coming into force January 1 in the United Kingdom imposes an almost prohibitive taxation on new corporations

THEATRICAL NOTES.

About forty pantomimes will be produced in this and around London during the holidays, "Cinderella" being the most popular production, no fewer than nine versions being presented.

Nearly all the theaters are already doing a crowded holiday business

Phyllis Rankin had a most cordial welcome on her return to the English stage, when she appeared in "Feorodora" at the Lyric Thursday, but she was manifestly nervous and did not make much of the part of Lady Holyrood.

Frohman's production of "Alice in Wonderland" at the Vaudeville Wednesday, with Ellaline Terriss as Alice and Seymour Hicks as the Mad Hatter, was not successful from the critics' standpoint.

"Mr. and Mrs Daventry" continues to attract fashionable audiences. The Prince of Wales witnessed the performance Thursday.

JOINT NOTE SIGNED.

British Foreign Office Takes No Stock in Denials.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire

LONDON, Dec. 22.—It now appears that the British Foreign Office has not received direct notification from Peking that the joint note has been signed, but in view of the fact that it had received assurances from Embassadors in London to the effect that all Ministers had been instructed to sign, the Foreign Office accepted as correct alleged semi-official dispatches from Berlin and Paris announcing the signing.

The Foreign Office declares it has every reason to believe the signing is an accomplished fact, and that the telegrams to the contrary are possibly anterior thereto.

HELD UP BY FOUR FOOTPADS.

William E. Crow, a coal heaver in the employ of the Southern Pacific Company for the past nineteen years, was held up by four footpads about 8 30 o'clock last night, on Oak street near Lake, and was brutally beaten on the head

MERRIAM FOR CABINET.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—A special to the World from Washington says:

There is a persistent rumor that ex-Governor Merriam of Minnesota, now Director of the Census, will be given a place in the Cabinet some time after March 4th.

KIMBERLEY IN DANGER.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire

LONDON, Dec. 22.—The Evening Standard says it hears a report has reached London that Kimberley is seriously threatened by the Boers.

Chicken Thief Sentenced.

John S. Swanson, who was caught in the act of stealing chickens from J. Terney's hen house at Fortieth st eet, and who pleaded guilty to the charge, was this morning sentenced by Police Judge Smith to three months in the City Prison.

A PRINCE IN POLITICS.

Heir to the Crown of Denmark Creates a Sensation.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire

CHRISTIANA, Norway, Dec. 22.—Assistant Secretary of State Drisben is working out consular regulations for an independent consular service for Norway. The diplomatic service remains unchanged.

A company with a capital of 75,000 kroner is being organized at Trondej for working the coal mines of Spitzenbergen.

A great sensation has been caused throughout Denmark by an article in the government organ, Bollingske Tidende, written by the Crown Prince Frederick, defending the Prime Minister, H Deschested, from the attack of Count Frijs. The action of the Crown Prince in mixing in party politics has made a bad impression.

Child's Pitiful Death.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Carrie Hanley, the 14-year-old girl who was burned in Public School 44 yesterday while playing Santa Claus, died today.

HAYWARDS BUTCHERS RAISE THE PRICE OF MEAT.

HAYWARDS, Dec. 22.—Owing to the scarcity of beef, mutton, pork and veal in California, and the great increase in prices for the same, the proprietors of the different markets in Haywards held a meeting and unanimously decided on a raise of two and one-half cents on all kinds of meat

William Zambresky has received his appointment as clerk to Assemblyman-elect John Mattos. Zambresky's friends say he is the man for the place. He is known as "Honest and Industrious William." He was born and raised in Haywards and has labored during the past ten years in the office of the Haywards' Journal. Prior to that time he attended school in his native town.

Thursday evening Mr. and Mrs Geo. Gray were given a very pleasant surprise. About 8 o'clock their friends assembled in front of the home. At a given signal the serenade broke the silence by singing, "I love my love in the spring time."

Gray and his wife were not slow in realizing what was in the wind and soon the gay crowd were playing games. Music and dancing followed Those present were: Mr. and Mrs L. Graham, Mr. and Mrs. J. Gray, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Ramage, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Welsh and daughter, Mr. and Mrs J. Hoyt, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Chapney, Mr. and Mrs. P. Wilbert, Mrs. F. F. Allen, Mrs. Lacy and William Cull, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Buck and T. B. Jackson.

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Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets.

REPRESENTS PLANTERS

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.—William Haywood, former Consul-General of the United States and afterwards Collector of Internal Revenue, arrived here today on his way to Washington, where he is to represent the Hawaiian Planters' Association. He will have an office in the national capital and will remain there, looking after Hawaiian interests, especially those of the sugar men.

DEADLY WEAPON USED NOT PROVED.

The taking of testimony in the hearing of the case of John Lynch, charged with assaulting Ed Murphy with a deadly weapon, was concluded in the Police Court this morning The nature of the instrument or weapon used by the assailant was not established Judge Smith announced that his decision in the case would largely depend upon this point. Prosecutor Leach and Attorney A. L. Frick for the defense held opposite views as to the materiality of this question, and in order to give both sides an opportunity to cite authorities the case went over till Monday next.

ANOTHER CHRISTMAS IS HERE.

And we are still doing business at the old stand, 511 and 513 Thirteenth street, near Washington, and the year now about to close has brought us many more patrons and we have kept all of our old customers, too. We are proud of the large business we do, simply because in every instance we please. When we say please, that means we have the confidence of the public. We are referred to as the "Reliable Store." That pleases us, so we and our patrons are both pleased. Our goods are not only satisfactory, but our prices are also, and that means everything to the buyer. What do we sell? Well, lots of things: General household goods, fine cutlery, ranges, gas fixtures, stoves, stepladders, refrigerators, ice cream freezers, and we also do plumbing upon short notice; in this respect we are noted. We make a specialty of sanitary plumbing, and we can put in your house hot air or hot water appliances. That means much comfort to you. In cooking utensils we carry the finest and most varied line in Oakland. Come in tonight or Monday. We will be pleased to show you our stock, whether you buy or not.

Fine Christmas Dinner.

The Christmas dinner, 4 to 7 P. M., at the Galindo Hotel will be a most elaborate affair, and many people not stopping at the hotel will avail themselves of it.

SAN LEANDRO WOMAN TAKES A DOSE OF POISON.

SAN LEANDRO, Dec. 22.—Mrs. Warren of San Lorenzo avenue, who has been suffering with a slight attack of the grip for some time, had a very narrow escape the other evening. The lady had a bottle of medicine close by and when she suddenly began to choke, her hand went out for the remedy. In the darkness Mrs. Warren got the wrong bottle and swallowed a large quantity of iodine. A physician was promptly summoned and a stomach pump was used with good effect.

The remains of the late Frank Wagner were laid to rest in the San Lorenzo Cemetery yesterday afternoon. Many flowers were placed on the grave. The pallbearers were: Louie Reichrath, Charlie Kestler, John Cahill Billy Dowd, Edward Schouter and August Thiery.

Mrs. Thevsohn who has been quite sick is greatly improved.

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Organization the Key to Success

CHRISTMAS SUGGESTIONS BY J. E. BAKER

Oakland Does Not Need First-Class Funerals

"What Oakland needs is a few first-class funerals," is an expression frequently heard in this town. That is not true. What Oakland most needs is live men, not dead ones.

The sentiment quoted, however, expresses a condition. It describes the divided factional and incoherent state of the public mind in this city. Wishing that men would die does not mend the matter, and waiting for them to die is worse still—a mere falling away in rust and idleness and bitterness of spirit—while opportunity takes the other road and enterprise seeks a warmer welcome in places where endeavor is the handmaid to natural advantage.

There are plenty of live men in Oakland; there is no lack of grit and character and energy here; this city is not deficient in the native quality of the American nation, nor are its citizens inferior to the people of other communities in moral nith and intellectual perception. There is no lack of the elements which go to make up the sum of progressive development.

In the matter of natural advantages Oakland has no superior on the Pacific Coast. It is situated on the mainland at the terminus of two transcontinental lines, with a water frontage on a landlocked harbor aggregating seven miles, along every foot of which factories and warehouses can be built in close touch with ship and car. The climate, besides being ideal so far as health and pleasurable existence, is admirably adapted to the largest fruitage of endeavor. Weather conditions seldom interfere with the transaction of business or the operations of industry. Therefore the highest industrial achievement is possible here.

WHAT DO WE LACK.

What, then, do we lack? Why has not Oakland forged ahead in comparison with other less favored communities? If the city has superior natural advantages and the right sort of people, why is progress so tentative, and dilatory? There is a grave fault somewhere or the premises are wrong. The problem is to find the fault and mend it. One word will sum up all that Oakland requires at this time to make it an industrial and commercial center.

ORGANIZATION.

Not organizations of individuals for this or that thing, but an organization of the entire community into a homogeneous compact force. Associations for different purposes or to advance local interests are all very well in their way, but they should not be permitted to become the rallying centers of petty jealousies and the fomenters of internecine strifes. If they all pull together for the general good they are powerful influences in the course of development, but when they expend their energies in venting local differences, in pulling apart and in factional squabbles over small matters of internal policy they become a positive detriment to the welfare of the city as a whole. The opening of a street, the laying of a sewer, the location of a school house or the selection of a fire chief becomes the question of paramount importance, and the general welfare is made subservient to trifling questions in which personal selfishness, personal obstinacy and personal prejudice are the chief elements.

STRIFES ENGENDERED.

Strifes are engendered that in bitterness and intensity are akin to the feuds promoted by a dog fight. All effort is frittered away in a game of cross purposes over trifles.

That has been the situation in Oakland. It is the situation in a modified degree today, although lately there have been signs of improvement—a disposition to take a broader view of public affairs and exhibit a more catholic spirit in the discussion of matters affecting the city's interest.

It is the spirit of this city that needs organization. It must be organized and imbued with a common purpose before it can be lifted to the higher ground which places the city above the ward and the ward above the precinct. Without it there can be no unity of purpose, no concert of action. This higher view point broadens the mind and enlarges civic patriotism. Men become more neighborly and lose something of their prejudices and asperity of difference, in a union of endeavor on behalf of the general public. Opinions are given with more discrimination and less heat; diversity of internal interests are dealt with in a spirit of mutual concession, and conflicting ideas are treated temperately and considerately.

When the public mind gets a footing on this elevated plane of thought, it is comparatively easy to give precedence to measures and policies of vital concern over those of secondary importance, and to make projects affecting the welfare of the whole city of more immediate and greater concern than purely internal affairs.

WHAT ORGANIZATION MEANS.

Organization means a rational and healthful perception of the relation each matter bears to the general progress and development. There are various improvements projected in different parts of the city, nearly all of which are meritorious and would add to the attractiveness and material prosperity—some of them are actual necessities. But one laden ocean steamer drawing over 25 feet of water passing through a free channel into the harbor would really mean more for Oakland than all of these things.

It would mean those things as well as commercial greatness. "There is not a wharf that a ship drawing 26 feet of water could lie at if she could get through the channel," we hear the old, carping spirit of Oakland say. True, at present; but let the channel be opened to the free access of 25 foot ships, and berth room for ships of that class will be dredged out in less than a month. Dredging out around the wharves can be done expeditiously and inexpensively. A demand for deep water berth room will speedily be met by wharf owners. It is idle to expect them to dredge out first and then wait for the channel to be opened. That is a reversal of the order of business—it is putting the roof on the house before it is built. Yet that is exactly the kind of view that has served so long to retard the progress of this city. Not ideas of that sort gave Los Angeles her magnificent appropriation for a deep water harbor at San Pedro.

This is cited as an example of the lines on which precedence in public improvement should be given. Nevertheless, as a concrete proposition, all other projects for the building up of Oakland sink into significance compared to deepening of the harbor channel to permit the ingress of the largest ocean ships. However, what Oakland needs above all things is unity of purpose, concert of action and an animation of spirit to advance the city's interests.

It is not funerals that this city needs, but a resurrection of civic pride.

J. E. BAKER.

COMMERCIAL FUTURE OF OAKLAND

POINTS FOR OUR PEOPLE AT CHRISTMAS TIME

BY JOHN A. BRITTON

When Our City Will be Queen of the Coast

The contiguity of the wealth-producing conditions, massing of people engaged in agricultural, mercantile, maritime and manufacturing pursuits, are the main factors which determine the commercial growth of the city—either of these factors named would be in itself a guarantee of a positive building up of any community. Large cities of our own country and on the continent of Europe have made name and fame by the possession of but a single one of the advantages named.

MIDDLE WEST CITIES.

The large cities of the Middle West were builded generally upon a single point of vantage, either by the possession of adjacent or immediate water transportation facilities, by large tracts of arable lands capable of high cultivation, by nearness to sources of supply of cheap fuels, by centralization of markets through rail or boat to take care of manufactured articles, by equable climatic conditions, and generally by having one single advantage, improved and enlarged by vim, vitality and single purposes of endeavor determination to succeed, and harmony of intention in all that meant progress and material good to the particular situation selected.

WHY NOT?

If the marshy plains of Chicago could make, with miles of inland transportation to face, the millions of surrounding acres tributary to its wealth; if Kansas City could make the windswept prairies of Kansas and Nebraska tributary to its material growth; if St. Louis could make the banks of the great river bring to it wealth and position among the great cities of the world, and all of these by pluck and indomitable effort build up commonwealths in face of conditions that would dishearten the average Pacific Coaster, why in all reason, should not a city possessing all the advantages which none of the successful ones possessed become a power and a name in the commercial world—and just so surely as it exists Oakland will in the future command a position among the cities of the world commensurate with its natural advantages.

WE WAIT.

Pamphlets by the thousand have been written upon the advantages of Oakland, places of note have been pictured, orators have declaimed on the beauties of nature surrounding us, millions of dollars have been expended in advertising the resources of Oakland and Alameda county, and yet we await results accomplished in other places. The dawn is here, the constant dripping that wears away the stone, has done its work, the murmur of busy mart is heard, the sleeping beauty has been kissed by the Prince of Prosperity, and the whirring wheels of trade resound with an unmistakable tone.

Our harbor with a haven of safety for the ships of the world is bristling with masts and spars; our hills are being covered with the homes of wealth and comfort, a thousand times ten thousand cars of merchandise are pouring into our stations filled with the wealth of other places, and are returning to other lands filled with the necessities of life produced and garnered at our own door.

OUR FUTURE.

The future of commercial Oakland? I am neither a prophet nor the son of a prophet, but filled with the knowledge gathered in a love for the city in which I have lived, I can say with a spirit of prophecy, that the day is near when this God-given land will teem with labor, and with wealth; when the far East will bring its wealth to our door; when with the advent of cheap power, now but a step away, will promote and induce accessions to our present manufactories sufficient to supply the markets of the world.

Insensibly Oakland has grown great in a maritime and commercial sense. Unostentatiously capital has stolen quietly into our midst, and begotten other capital, and the effort of such action has its reflex in the bettered condition of our business places. To hold this condition should be our aim; the continuance of it our object. This can be accomplished by one fixed purpose, unification of efforts.

OUR GREAT HARBOR.

In the advantages of a great harbor, terminals of railroads, cheapness of power, equable climate, nearness of agricultural wealth, splendidly equipped schools, and environment of State University, we stand the peer of any city in the world, and the possible future that belongs to us rests in the hands of our commercial bodies and business men.

Wipe out petty party strifes; wipe out business jealousies, help the industries here, rather than patronize foreign ones. Combine the Merchant's Exchange and Board of Trade into one body, map out plans of public improvement, and make them feasible, independent of personal gain, and stay with one of them until accomplished, then will our city, rich in all that makes great people, take her place where she rightly belongs, the Queen of the Coast, whose everlasting hills will look down upon a thousand throated chimneys and a forest of masts—ship meeting rail, when political differences will be forgotten and harmony prevail.

JOHN A BRITTON.

OAKLAND'S LIBRARY OF THE FUTURE

By HENRY A. NEWBERRY of THE TRIBUNE'S Editorial Staff

WHAT SHOULD OAKLAND'S NEW LIBRARY BE TO GET THE BEST RESULTS FOR THE COMMUNITY?

I asked that question of Librarian Greene in his office the other day.

The librarian pushed aside some new books he was examining, wrinkled his brow, smiled and replied:

"I'll tell you first what our new library should not be, in my opinion. The books for a library such as ours, which is one of a group around the bay, should be selected with careful reference to local needs and limitations. For example, we should make no attempt to rival the library of the University of California in the matter of classical and technological works. The University library is splendidly equipped in that respect and is easy of access to Oakland students. We should be equally foolish to try to compete with the Mechanic's Library of San Francisco in technical works and those relating to the arts and sciences. We should have a few of the best books on those subjects, but anything like completeness is out of the question with our limited resources.

"Oakland's new library should be supplied with general literature that most people want and that will meet the needs of our growing population. In current fiction, for which there is a greater demand than for any other form of literature, the supply of books should be limited to the demand before the book is worn out. The life of even such poular novels as 'David Harum' and 'Richard Carvel' is ephemeral, and we should not overstock ourselves with them, but simply buy enough copies to supply the demand until they are worn out. The ideal library is one where all the books are in service until they are worn out. Of course, that is impossible of attainment, but it is what we should aim for.

"There are 30,000 volumes in our library now. When a book is ten years old it is worn out, on the average. Three thousand books a year must be purchased to make good this loss, and discrimination must be used in buying them. Two years ago books on the Philippines were in great demand. Last year, owing to the Boer war, works on South Africa were continually called for. This year the demand has shifted to books on China. So it behooves us to watch the trend of events in ordering books. We need $1,500 a year to keep the library up to the needs of the institution, counting new books at $1 a volume, which is about what they will average.

"We should keep up a good selection of books on local current history. It is not worth while to do much with government documents, as ther is little demand for them, and they take up a great deal of room. There is, however, a demand for the Congressional Record and Consular reports.

"When we get into our new library and have special alcoves for books the patriotic societies can help us greatly, and I think they will. For example, in other cities these societies have contributed works pertaining to American history, with the understanding that the library should purchase an equal number. It is the same with music. If those interested in music should each contribute one book on the subject the library could buy an equal number, and in this way the various groups in the community could soon make the library answer to their needs.

"Just now there is a large run on the library by the school children, which we are unable to meet. The Board of Education has ordered a course of supplementary reading for the pupils, and when they come here for the books we are unable to supply them. The children keep what books we have of that nature in circulation so steadily that they are rarely on the library shelves. It would cost $2,000 to supply the demand for the schools. When we move into the new library building we will be near the schools, and I hope the connection will be closer in every way.

"Unless the bonds carry it is hard to tell when we can occupy the new building, as at present we have not even funds enough for a heating and ventilating plant. We ought not to move into the new building and camp out there. I believe in staying where we are until we can furnish the new building properly.

"When we are installed in the new building we should by all means keep up the loan of exhibit pictures. As the new building will be of brick, with the danger of fire reduced to the minimum, we should be able to get better paintings and more of them than we now have. People going out of town for the summer would probably be glad to loan their paintings to the library during their absence, as the pictures would be safer there than in their own homes. That would give us a source of supply other than the kindness of the artists, on which we have to depend now."

HENRY A. NEWBERRY.

A GREAT FUTURE FOR ALAMEDA COUNTY

BY SUPERIOR JUDGE JOHN ELLSWORTH

It has been my opinion in the past, and is now, that California—and the entire Pacific Coast—will in future be enriched from two sources. Agriculture is one, but perhaps commercial growth will be the greater.

Australia, New Zealand and other comparatively new lands are as yet sparsely settled. They must very greatly increase in population. Add to these our acquisition of the Hawaiian and Philippine Islands, and this must result in greatly aiding Pacific Coast Commerce.

As to the future of our agricultural products I am not so sanguine, though doubtless the increase of our commerce in the Pacific ocean and Orient will make a considerable demand for our canned fruits and for our wheat.

We may expect an increase of prosperity from that source also—wheat and fruit.

The tendency to a lower rate ofinterest, which has been noticeable, ought to make it possible for many industrial enterprizes to thrive in California that in the past have not always been sucessful.

My impression is that we are entering upon an era of prosperity greater than we have hitherto enjoyed. What can I say more? I might multiply words to an indefinite extent and convey no more significant meaning, or ideas, than may be gathered from the few thoughts I have just expressed.

Generally speaking, our people are happy and contented. Our State is developing some extremely valuable natural products other than gold.

The National Government recognizes that we are quite an important part of the country, and on the past two or three years it has been generous in the way of expenditures.

As to Alameda county's future, I think it has a high and important destiny—greater, perhaps, than those now living can imagine.

Men Who Make Our City's History.

Leading Figures in Oakland's Commercial and Political Life

Oakland has made remarkable progress in many ways during the year just drawing to a close, the result of energy and enterprise on the part of her citizens. That she has among her residents a full share of able and competent men and women is beyond question, and each year adds not only to the number but to the zeal and energy displayed in raising to a higher level the commercial, political and social interests of our beautiful city.

Among those most prominent in business and public life may be mentioned the following:

AUDITOR BREED.

The Excellent Record Made in Performance of a Public Duty.

Arthur H. Breed, City Auditor, is one of the best known and one of the best informed men of business in the community. He was elected to the responsible position of Auditor by a handsome majority as the result of an energetic campaign, as also of the ex-

A. H. BREED.

cellent standing which he has had for years among those who know him. Mr. Breed has been as careful, methodical and conscientious in his office of Auditor as he formerly was in his private business. He has mastered all the difficult features of the work, has the courage of his conviction and his views on municipal resources and expenditures receive the respectful attention to hich twhey are entitled.

Mr. Breed is a native of California. He first came to Oakland when three years of age. Several succeeding years were passed in San Francisco. Sixteen years ago, Mr. Breed returned to Oakland and has remained here since. He started in business for himself at the age of 21 years and continued in it up to the time of his election as Auditor. He is an earnest Republican and was the leader of the Young Men's Republican League of Alameda County. He is a member of the Reliance Athletic Club and of Oakland Parlor N. S. G. W. and has served several times as chairman of the Republican County Central Committee.

SUP'T T. O. CRAWFORD.

Instructor With Many Years of Experience and Fame Along the Coast.

Thomas Olin Crawford, County Superintendent of Schools of Alameda county, is a native of Maine. He was educated in the common schools of Brunswick, Harpswell, in the academies at Westbrook and Kent's Hill, Maine. He is a graduate of the Law College of the University of California. He has been engaged in school work for thirty-four years. He was the first to inagurate manual training in the public schools west of the Rocky Mountains. He introduced manual training in the Lincoln school in Oakland in 1883.

He has advocated simplifying the course of study. He has insisted on better reading, better writing, accuracy

T. O. CRAWFORD.

in mathematical work, more intelligent work in history, geography and languages. He has insisted that ethics should be the foundation of all teaching. He believes that conduct is better than culture. He would arrange the common school studies as follows: Ethics, hygiene, reading, spelling, language, arithmetic, geography and history. He would have writing and drawing be the tools for representation. He favors a reading course outside of school works for general information and culture. He would like to see an English and modern language High School established in Oakland, which should be independent of the university course. He advocates, most strongly, the establishment of a manual training school that would rank as high in aim and efficiency as any High School in the land. He also favors the establishment of a business and commercial school which would offer to commercial students the best business education possible. He would advocate increased proficiency and efficiency in teachers, the payment of salaries that would retain in the profession many able teachers who are forced to leave to earn more money elsewhere. He believes most heartily in the tenure of office of teachers.

Mr. Crawford has long been identified with school work in this city. He served as principal of the Prescott and Lincoln schools wit hsignal ability and is attaining the same distinction in the performance of his work as County Superintendent of Schools of Alameda county, to which position he was elected alittle more than two years ago.

J. H. W. SOHST.

The Busy Life of a Citizen Devoted to Oakland's Many Interests.

J. F. Sohst is one of the most public spirited citizens in Oakland. He rejoices over every advance Oakland makes and is tireless in his efforts to have "progress" be her daily watchword. He was born in Mecklenburg, Schwerin, Germany. He came to the United States in 1854. He worked in New York, Ohio and other places as a wheelright, and finally landed, via the Isthmus, in San Francisco in December, 1859. In August of that year he came to Oakland, went to work for A. Davidson in the Pioneer Carriage factory at Water and Broadway. In December of 1860, he bought out his employer and, in 1863, moved the factory to a point on Broadway between Seventh and Eighth streets. He remained there till 1873, when he erected the present wagon factory of Sohst Brothers at Eighth and Fraklin streets, where a thriving business has been carried on all these years. His oldest son, William, is foreman of the shop.

Mr. Sohst's first presidential vote was cast for Lincoln in 1860. Mr. Sohst was twice elected a member of the City Council, and was distinguished by his singleness of purpose regarding the welfare of the city. He is now one of the Directors of the Merchants' Exchange and of the German Altenheim of Fruitvale

E. W. MARSTON.

The Patient Effort and Great Success of a Son of State of Maine.

Erastus Wheeler Marston, President of the Board of Trade, was born in Waterville, Maine, in 1820. He was educated in his native town and worked on a farm until he came to California in 1850. He mined for gold in what is now known as Plumas County, leaving there in 1852. He was, at first, successful in his quest for the precious metal and built an immense flume for the purpose of carrying on operations on a large scale. A cloud-burst, however, destroyed the flume so that Mr.

E. W. MARSTON.

Marston left Plumas and went into the mercantile business in Columbia, Tuolumne County, where he remained for sixteen years. He was successful, but his health failed and he sought relief in Pescadero, San Mateo County, where he remained fourteen years. He then traveled for more than a year with his family and established his home in this city at 1291 Webster street, April 1, 1883, where he still resides. Mr. Marston has railroad, real estate and other interests from Florida to North Dakota and from Maine to California. He takes a great deal of interest in public affairs, and has held the offices of Supervisor and School Director wherever he has been located. He is now serving his second term as President of the Board of Trade and his work in that body has been attended with great success.

CHARLES F. OTT.

The Superintendence of Streets Now in Hands of a Good Man.

Charles Frederick Ott, Superintendent of Streets of Oakland, is a native son, having been born in San Francisco in 1859. In 1870, his parents moved to Oakland and young Charles was placed in the Irving Grammar School, from which he graduated. His ambition was to become a lawyer, and with this end in view, he entered one of the private colleges, then so numerous in Oakland, and commenced a literary course. The death of his father about that time and the failure of his financial investments rendered the services of the boy necessary in supporting the family. He swallowed his disappointment and stepped from the preparatory school to the bench, becoming an apprentice tinsmith in the shop of De La Montanya & Co. He soon mastered the trade and, before he could vote, was made manager of the shop. He remained with the firm until 1885, when, at the solicitation of Mayor Davie, he accepted the position of Sanitary Inspector in the Health Department. In 1898, the Board of Public Works unanimously elected Mr. Ott Chief Deputy in the Street Department, and, in February, 1900, upon the retirement of Mr. Miller, he was appointed to the Superintendency.

Mr. Ott has always been identified with politics, being one of the youngest members of the Republican State Central Committee during the Markham campaign. He has always shewn a keen interest in fraternal affairs, being a 29th Degree Mason, a Past Master of Oakland Lodge F. & A. M., and a Past Master of the Oakland Lodge of Workmen.

Of a genial nature, with a sunny smile and a deep feeling for his fellow man, Mr. Ott is pre-eminently fitted for political life. His able administration of the affairs of the Street Department of this city has been a source of keen satisfaction to those who appointed him to the position and to his friends whose name is legion.

VALENTINE G. HUSH.

Life and Home of a Man With Rare Energy and of Much Success.

In this city of homes, especially among homes with lordly surroundings, may be noticed, with pleasure, those which line both sides of East Fourteenth street for quite a distance west of Fruitvale avenue. There, stately mansions, with wide-spreading demesnes, interspersed with driveways, arched with trees, and given a touch of romance by dancing fountains, abound,

VALENTINE G. HUSH.

and, in them, is included the partially embowered home of Hon. Valentine G. Hush. This home place is located at the intersection of Twenty-seventh avenue and East Fourteenth street. It sets somewhat back from the main thoroughfare, and, before it, stretches a beautiful lawn, the sward of which maintains an emerald hue the year around. The home has the terra cotta tint, is partially concealed, partially disclosed between and behind trees, the variety of which show the varied taste of the owner as also the wonderful productivity of the soil. There is indication on every side that ease, contentment and happiness all the aim of the owner of the place because, while modern improvements have been embraced, the attractions and the inspiration of nature have not been ruthlessly set aside. There is a frontage to the grounds of 150 feet and a depth of 350 feet. Excluding the space devoted to walks, lawns and drives, there are nearly two acres upon which thrive trees of almost indefinite variety, among them orange, lemon, magnolia, palms, pepper, hawthorn, fig, plums, peaches, nectarines, apples almond, oak and walnut—a choice showing for a city home.

This has been the home of Valentine G. Hush and his talented family since 1887. Several of the children have gone in recent years, to homes of their own, the last of whom to take that step being Miss Jean Hush, who was skilled as a violinist and much esteemed by all who knew her and who is now Mrs. Frank Richardson Wells, Ohio. They went to Minneapolis early, when that city promised to be the young giant of the northwest. There, Mr. Hush established the largest private bank which he conducted for many years. He was elected for two terms to the Legislature and would have been elected State Treasurer had he not decided to come to California, which he did in 1887. Since then Mr. Hush has been one of the most successful real estate agents and placer of bonds and securities in San Francisco, his present offices being 61-65 Chronicle building, that city.

R. T. JACKSON.

Efficiency Displayed as the Secretary of Two Departments.

R. T. Jackson, Secretary of the Board of Public Works, when asked regarding his birth and earlier education, said.

"I do not think the public is interested in that matter. It is not the 'has-beens' that the public want, but it does want to know if a man is up-to-date, and is capable and efficient in the position he holds."

Mr. Jackson came to California in 1871, and has been a resident of Oakland most of the time since. He has been an active and energetic business man, holding many positions of trust, but he never took an active part in

R. T. JACKSON.

politics until two years ago when circumstances seemed to force him into the field, where his forcible, dignified and gentlemanly speeches contributed much to the success of the campaign.

When the present Board of Public Works assumed the duties of office, Mr. Jackson was, without solicitation, appointed Secretary of the Board and also Secretary of the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners, which positions he still holds. He is a very courteous and accommodating gentleman, as well as a very careful and painstaking official, conducting his office on business principles. He has proved himself to be the right man in the right place, as all doing business through his office will testify.

J. W. M'CLYMONDS.

Oakland's Industrious and Zealous Superintendent of Schools.

John W McClymonds, City Superintendent of Schools, is now in his third term in that position, each term comprehending four years. He was born in Western Pennsylvania in 1848. He attended school in his native county, and in 1871 graduated from the Westminster College. He then came west and located in Kansas. He took charge of a class for two years and left Kansas behind him and came to California, arriving here in 1873. He taught in the High School at Petaluma for three years. At the end of that time, he resigned his position and entered the dry-goods business, which he followed for three years. The business, however, was not to his liking. He abandoned the yardstick and came to Alameda county, reaching here in 1880. He taught school in San Leandro for six years, and was then, in 1886, elected principal of the Lincoln school in this city. He served in that capacity for three years and was raised to the position of City Superintendent of Schools, which he has held since. Mr. McClymonds is one of the best known educators in the State. Despite the exactions of his office he finds time to attend to several teachers' institutes during each year, as well as a number of State meetings under various auspices at which educational subjects are discussed. He is rarely found in his office, the greater part of his time being passed in and about the various schools under his jurisdiction. Mr. McClymonds is married, having taken unto himself a bride at Petaluma. Two children now complete the family in addition to Mr. McClymonds and his wife.

MAYOR R. W. SNOW.

Career as Auditor and as the Head of the City Government.

Mayor R. W. Snow, the subject of this sketch, is probably the most unique figure in Oakland politics. He has been a resident of this city since 1875. He has always been classed with the church element, being a prominent member of the First Congregational Church of this city; but, at some time in his political career, every element has declared its preference for this man, whose qualities of mind and heart, have been guarantees of sound and unbiased judgment.

Mr. Snow has been a city officer continuously since 1889, having been elected first, in the beginning of that year as City Auditor. It was at once discovered by the citizens of Oakland that they had chosen wisely, and his biennial re-election was afterward a foregone conclusion.

In the beginning of 1899, while Mr. Snow was in Southern California at the deathbed of his wife, he was nominated for Mayor of Oakland by both the

MAYOR R. W. SNOW.

Republican and Non-Partisan Conventions.

After a reasonable time, Mr. Snow returned to take part in the campaign that resulted in his election to the highest office in the gift of an appreciative people, and by a majority seldom equalled in the history of Oakland.

Like other men of strong convictions, Mr. Snow has, in his long years of public service, incurred the displeasure of many whose political or private interests have seemed to him to jeopardize the public welfare. At no time, however, for either friend or foe, has he ever seemed to depart from a fixed resolve, that the conduct of the affairs of the city government is business, pure and simple, and not a field for political intrigue, rewards or punishment.

Mr. Snow has come to occupy a prominent place among students of municipal affairs in the United States. The League of Municipalities of California chose him as president, and his opinions in civic matters are sought by similar associations throughout the country.

Mayor Snow is a strong believer in Oakland's ultimate commercial prosperity, and is a persistent advocate of immediate public improvements along the lines of the least resistance. His suggestions to the City Council have been wise and prudent, and whenever accepted, have demonstrated in the outcome remarkable accuracy of forecast.

R. M. CLEMENT.

His Excellent Work in the Position of City Engineer.

Russell M. Clement, City Engineer of Oakland, is now filling that office for the second term, the compliment of re-election having been paid because of the faithfulness and ability with which he discharged the duties of the office during the first term. He is ex-officio a member of the Board of Public Works. He is also president of the Fire and Police Commission and Secretary of the Police Pension Fund. The demands of the office have been great during Mr. Clement's incumbency. He designed the sewer system in the annexed district which requires fifty mile of sewering, and which necessitated the making of surveys and profiles and various other calculations to determine the volume of sewage, storm and otherwise to be carried away and the size of the mains that would do the carrying. This work was afterwards approved by the most capable engineers. He made the specifications for the block paving of East Twelfth street, which is considered a fine piece of work, also of Clay street, which experts say is a model thoroughfare. He designed the floor plan for the West Oakland Engine house, and indeed, all the public work done in this city during his incumbency. His action on the boards of which he is a member has been intelligent and practical. Mr. Clement is married and the father of three children. He is a member of Oakland Parlor, N. S. G. W., Reliance Athletic Club, Nile Club, Pacific Lodge, No 7, A. O. U. W., Modern Woodmen of America and B. P. O. E.

CHIEF ENGINEER BALL.

A Fire-Fighter Who Has Greatly Improved the Department.

More than twenty years have elapsed since N. A. Ball, present Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, began fighting fires. His apprenticeship was served as an extraman in Engine Company No. 1, of this city, which he joined in 1880. In 1886, he became foreman of the company. Later, he retired from the department, remaining out until 1889, when the new charter went into effect, when he became first assistant chief under J. J. Kennedy. He served for four years, retiring from the place for political reasons. He went into the grocery business and remained in it until he was ap-

N. A. BALL.

pointed to his present position, April, 1898. The Fire Department was then in a chaotic condition. Today, system has been introduced, discipline has been maintained, personal and political bickering has been extirpated, and, today, no department stands higher in the estimation of those who know what a good fire department is, than does that of this city. Chief Ball has outlined still further improvements which will be introduced as occasion affords. The Chief was born in San Francisco in 1859. He moved to this side of the bay in 1862 and has resided here since. He is married and the father of five children.

ASS'T CHIEF LAWTON.

A Veteran Fire-Fighter Who Has Always Been a Fearless Leader.

One of the most experienced fire fighters in the State of California is Elbourton Lawton, the present Assistant Chief Engineer of the Fire Department of this city. He has been running to and extinguishing fires since he was a boy, having been a torch bearer for Columbia engine No. 11 of San Francisco, away back in the early "fifties." He was born in Saratoga Springs, N. Y., July 14, 1843. He arrived at San Francisco in 1853. He became an expert wagon and carriage builder. He continued with the volunteer fire department of San Francisco until the paid department was organized in 1866, when he became a member of it. While foreman of Hose Company No. 5 his work was commended by Chief Whitney, insurance men and men of business. He served under Chiefs Ackerson and Scannell and came to this city in 1888. In 1891 he became chief of the Oak-

E. LAWTON.

land fire department, which position he held several years. He then retired and in March of 1898 was appointed to his present position of assistant chief, and has displayed zeal, interest and judgment in the performance of his work.

CENTRAL CREAMERY.

Model Institution in Which Fine Dairy Products Are on Hand.

The Central Creamery has a most eligible location at the northwest corner of Eleventh and Clay streets. It is a large, white structure, with windows, doors and means of ventilation provided on a liberal scale. In the front, are the salesroom for milk, butter, eggs and cream, and the office, while behind are the ice house and the creamery proper, where the milk and cream are handled in bulk and the butter is made, stamped and put in condition to be disposed of. The separating of the cream from the milk, the churning and the working of the butter are done by the most modern of creamery machinery, with the result that there is but a minimum of loss of material and a maximum saving of time and physical effort. The butter made at the place is the noted "Central Creamery" brand. The bought butter handled by the place is the celebrated "Star" brand. The butter is made of the surplus of cream, the output varying according to the climatic conditions and demand, averaging about 100 pounds a day. It always brings the highest market price and the same is true of all other products handled by this creamery. The milk is received from the Talcott Dairy, the Medau ranch and the Fairmount Dairy, and is supplied by 600 cows. It is brought to the creamery in big wagons and there placed aboard nine smaller ones which deliver it in all parts of the city. The average amount of milk handled daily is about 1250 gallons. The Central Creamery is the property of a corporation which is officered as follows: President and Treasurer, A. C. Fay; vice-President, E. H. Fox; T. A. Medau, secretary; directors, J. M. Carr, and J. H. Medau.

Mr. Fay is one of the most experienced dairymen in the State. He has had an experience in the business here for twenty years. Mr. Fay is an expert in the business, a circumstance which will be apparent to any person who visits the creamery or has had business dealings with its proprietor.

C. L. INGLER.

Early and Successful in the Local Planing-Mill Business.

Charles Leonard Ingler was born in Philadelphia, Pa., in 1852. He came with his parents to California when he was four years old, crossing the isthmus on horseback. He landed in San Francisco, went thence to Sonora, where he attended school. In 1859, he went to Acapulco, Mexico. Although a lad, he traveled there alone to Wilmington, Delaware. He farmed for five years and came to California in 1865. He attended a commercial college in San Francisco for one year and then went into the planing-mill business, in which he has remained up to the present. He came to Oakland in 1877 and went into partnership in the mill business with T. L. Hierlihy in the Pioneer Mills and subsequently with his present partner, H. T. Atkinson. The firm employs thirty men and does a business of $70,000 a year. Mr. Ingler is the father of five children. He has served two terms as a Director of the Oakland School Board and is now a member of the County Board of Education.

A MODEL SANITARIUM.

Remarkable Success of Dr. O. L. Jones' Modern Institute for Sufferers.

No institution on the Pacific Coast commands more universal and genuine respect than does the splendidly equipped Sanitarium of Dr. O. L. Jones at the northeast corner of Thirteenth and Clay streets, Oakland. Its founder is a gentleman of the highest medical and surgical attainments. He is a graduate of the Kentucky School of Medicine and the California Medical College, and passed several years of study in the leading colleges and hospitals of Europe. He has also distinguished himself as the professor of miscroscopy, bacteriology and histology in California Medical College. The Sanitarium has been fitted up regardless of expense. The doctor has his own X-ray laboratory, dispensary and culinary department. The operating rooms and parlors are perfect in appointments, and the patients' rooms are supplied with every modern accommodation. The building is entirely new. It is always filled with patients who come and go, the doctors' practice extending all over the coast. He treats, on an average, about 100 cases a day, being equally successful

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GEORGE H. CARLETON.

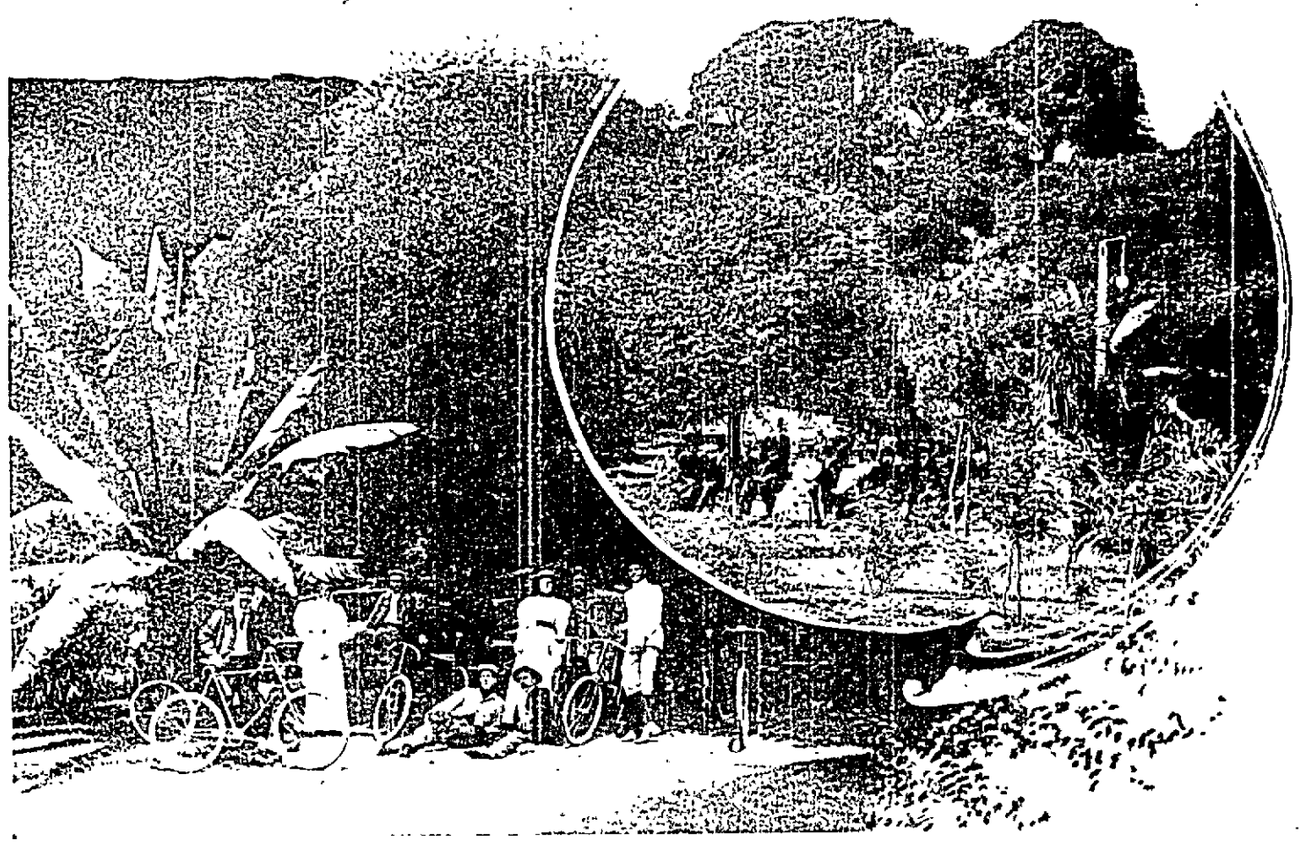
Dean of Municipal Lighting With a Fortune-Making Basso Voice.

George H. Carleton is one of the best known and most genial of the residents of this city who has ever occupied a berth in the gift of the community. He is the Superintendent of Fire and Police Telegraph system in this city and has held the place since he was almost in his teens. He is now about the half-century mark, but is as big, large, round, strong and hardy as if he were in incipient manhood. He is one of the most familiar personages on the walks and streets. When on the sidewalks, he is leisurely and dignified. When on the streets, he is found seated, in a beautifully-painted buggy, drawn by a stalwart horse. Mr. Carleton is the dean, so to speak, of the fire alarm and police telegraph system of Oakland. He was practically first in the field and the improvements and innovations he has introduced into the system since it was first adopted by Oakland have been legion. As a consequence, the system stands without a peer on the Coast. Mr. Carleton also attends to the lighting of the streets. His advice is taken by the Council as to where electric lamps should be placed. He also notes when lamps fail to burn and it is he who must secure a reduction in the monthly expense of lamps when they do not burn at night. In this way Mr. Carleton frequently saves money for the city which otherwise would be paid for without giving a return. Mr. Carleton is the leading basso profundo of Oakland. Indeed, he is the William Whitney of the Pacific Coast. His voice is rich, true, sonorous and enduring. It has entertained hundreds of people in concert and oratorio and is today as grateful to the ear as it was when it was first heard here. Mr. Carleton is the basso of the Temple Quartet and has sung with it for years. He has been a resident of Oakland for years. He has grown up with the city and is today as great a respository of personal and municipal information as has ever resided in this city. Mr. Carleton numbers his friends by the hundred and in their appreciation Mr. Carleton has a standing second to that of no other person in the community.

P. M. FISHER.

Career of Prominent Educator Who Has Graduated More Than 500 Pupils.

The Central High School, which stands among the first of the educational institutions of Oakland's public school system, was organized in 1896, with P. M. Fisher as principal. Mr. Fisher is a graduate of the Mount Union College, Ohio, where he won his diploma in 1876. He came to California the following year and taught school at Mission San Jose. He continued in that capacity for several terms and was subsequently appointed Superintendent of the Alameda County Board of Education, where he served with marked success for several years. As principal of the Central High School he has graduated over 500 pupils



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OAKLAND TRANSIT CO.

A Very Extensive Car System Developing Many Lively Towns.

There is no city of its size in the country which has a finer and more stable system of street railways than that which is enjoyed by the City of Oakland. It is a system which comprehends more than the running of cars between the business center and the limits of Oakland, because the cars run to and from the outlying towns, some distant almost twenty miles from the business district.

This is especially true of the Oakland Transit Company. Within a few years, seven or eight independent lines, each struggling for existence, have been brought under one management. Cost of operation has been reduced. Economy on a practical basis has been introduced into every department. Money, formerly wastefully expended, has been employed in ballasting tracks, rendering cars uniform in appearance, providing the most approved means of supplying electrical energy for motive power and increasing the equipment of rolling stock in keeping with the demands of patrons. As a consequence, the Oakland Transit Company, today operates eighty miles of track, with about seventy-five cars, and gives steady employment to about 400 men. Through its agency, Oakland is placed within a few minutes' ride of Berkeley, Claremont, Golden Gate, Lorin, Alden, East Oakland, West Oakland, Fruitvale, High street and Alameda. By a practical system of transfers a ride from one extremity of the system to the other may be enjoyed for five cents. This, in the nature of things, brings thousands of purchasers yearly to Oakland, thus swelling the patronage which otherwise the home merchant and manufacturer would not enjoy.

The generous transfer system of the Oakland Transit Company is of inestimable value to the residents of the cities and towns reached by its lines, and saves thousands of dollars to our citizens in car fare alone. If a separate fare were charged on each line, as the company has a right to do, it would seriously affect the merchants and other business men of Oakland. The management believes in a broad and liberal policy and seeks to improve the service as rapidly as the business will permit. Cheap and efficient transportation is the prime essential in the growth and prosperity of a community and all should lend their aid and influence in the development and betterment of this enterprise.

The road is under the management of W. F. Kelley, who has thoroughly mastered all the requirements of the business. The operatives are painstaking and courteous, and nothing is left undone that would tend to the ease and comfort of patrons while in the hands of the company.

PACIFIC IMPROVEMENT CO.

Street Car Lines in Oakland and Del Monte Hotel at Monterey.

The Pacific Improvement Company has done a great deal in the development of California and in supplying the residents with modern conveniences and enabling them to properly enjoy the varied attractions and resorts of the Golden State.

In Oakland and vicinity the company is the owner of the Telegraph avenue and the San Pablo avenue electric railways, two of the finest lines of the kind in the world. The Telegraph avenue line extends from Broadway on First street through the town of Alden and through the very heart of Berkeley to Berryman station, thus placing the people of this city in close connection with the University of California and every part of East Berkeley and bringing, so to speak, to the doors of residents of the college town the various steam car lines of the Southern Pacific in Berkeley, the narrow-gauge at Fourteenth and Broadway, the broad-gauge on Seventh and First streets, and the ferry route between this city and San Francisco at the foot of Broadway.

The San Pablo avenue line also begins at the foot of Broadway in this city, traverses Oakland, Emeryville, Golden Gate and terminates in the business district of West Berkeley. It also connects with the railroad lines referred to in the foregoing. The roadway of these lines is perfectly ballasted. It is as solid as a rock and the rails are as level as a floor. The rolling stock is the best known in the business and is always kept in prime condition. There are no loose joints on the rails and not a loose bolt, nut or rod on any of the cars. As a consequence a ride on either of these lines is a source of pleasure, notwithstanding that the cars are run with speed which enables distance to be traversed without wearying delays.

THE RESIDENCE OF MRS. JOSIAH STANFORD, OAK STREET, ON LAKE MERRITT.

These lines are run with the precision of clock work. There is no such thing as a car "behind time," and as a consequence, when a person boards a car with the intention of reaching a place in a given time, he is sure of not being disappointed. This is something which is appreciated by methodical people, men of business and especially those residents of Oakland and vicinity who work and are engaged in business in San Francisco and who must be punctual in the catching of boats and trains.

These lines run through a section of city in developing and will ultimately be as thickly settled as any part of the community. These lines give employment to several hundred men, the most of whose earnings are spent in Oakland. They are under the management of M. M. Martin, whose effort to give the people the most reliable service has been signally rewarded.

Another of the great enterprises of the Pacific Improvement Company is the Hotel del Monte of Monterey. This is one hundred and twenty-five miles from San Francisco, and is reached in three hours over the best piece of railroad in the West, passing through the most highly developed and most characteristic section of California. The road runs down the peninsula of San Francisco, and then, deflected eastward by the Santa Cruz mountains, enters the Santa Clara Valley. Past San Jose, named the Garden City for its flowers, the train runs southward, crosses a divide, enters the Pajaro Valley, with its great sugar-beet plantations and refineries, then crosses the Salinas Valley, rolls over gentle hills glowing with wild flowers in the spring, and pulls up in a magical scene of beauty. This is the station of the Hotel del Monte.

The landed domain which the Pacific Improvement Company has made contributory to the Hotel del Monte includes the one hundred and twenty-six cultivated acres constituting the hotel grounds, nearly the whole of the peninsula of Monterey, and an immense region stretching southward and embracing the valley of the Carmel River and its great mountain watershed. The hotel grounds are level, and besides the exquisite flower gardens and lawns are the ancient natural features preserved in their original integrity—vast spreading live-oaks and towering pines. The singular contrast between these two majestic arboreal types exercises a peculiar charm for the trained observer and lover of nature. The live-oaks are of the kind peculiar to California—an immense turtle backed upper contour, forming a compact canopy over a sturdy bole from which radiate fantastically fashioned branches, mostly horizontal. The whole effect is one of imposing massiveness and superb strength in repose.

In very sharp contrast to these wild and untamable natural features are the dainty flower beds, in infinite variety of form, color, composition and texture—seemingly too fine and artistic to be the work of mere skilled human hands, and suggesting the ingenuity and taste of fairies. Here flowers from all parts of the world unfold their color and fragrance every day the year round, reveling in a climate more generous than that of the country which gave them birth. Here also is the "Arizona Garden," a gathering of outlandish cacti from the arid Southwest. A maze, walks and lanes complete one of the noblest gardens in the world. There are no nooks and vistas so fair, no prospects so elegant.

HOTEL DEL MONTE, MONTEREY, CAL.

It might be naturally expected that for all the comforts and luxuries afforded by the Hotel del Monte the charges would be high. As a matter of fact they are no higher than those at ordinary seaside hotels, and are about half the rates charged at other first-class resorts of the United States and Europe. Combined with its attractions are perfect facilities by train, telegraph, telephone, and mail for immediate contact with the outer world. The hotel has no "busy season"—all its seasons are busy. Its service is continuous and not assembled at haphazard. While it has an extensive fame as a winter resort, it has peculiar attractions as a summer resort. In both cases it offers complete exemption from all the ills, discomforts, and dangers of extreme heat and cold. The hotel is particularly charming in summer, when the wealth and fashion of California assemble for the summer outing. In the radiant health and beauty of the California women and that hearty enjoyment of life so characteristic of California of both sexes, one may see a tangible evidence of the benefits which climate can bestow. Its easy accessibility from San Francisco, which all who visit California must see for its own singular and varied attractions, renders the Hotel del Monte a necessary item in the itinerary of the traveler.

As this charming resort is wholly distinct and unique, there is no basis of comparison by which the attractions can be measured. None other in the world has such a climate; none is planned on so vast and elaborate a scale; none is so absolutely exempt from every annoyance of inconvenience; none is so easily within the reach of all whose refinement of taste enables them to appreciate its charms and whose good sense comprehend its value. There is but one Hotel del Monte.

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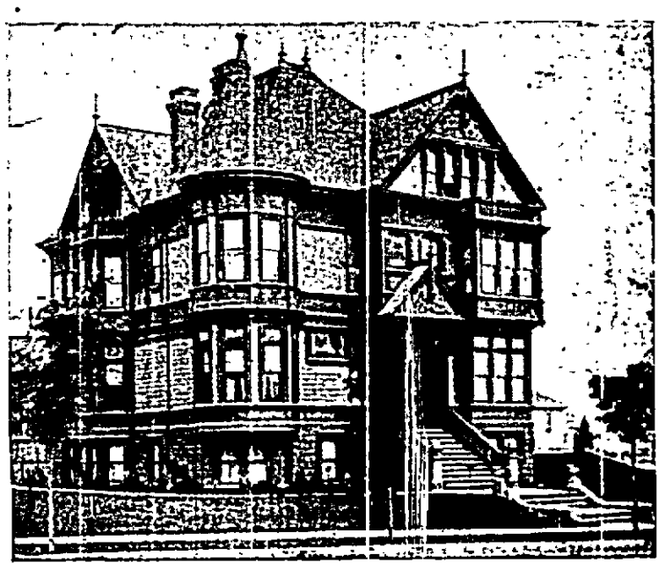

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NATIONAL CASH REGISTER.

Its Merits and the Industrial Paradise in Which it Is Made.

Ex-Mayor Charles D. Pierce of Oakland is now, and for some time past has been a resident of San Francisco, where he is the honored and capable representative of the National Cash Register Manufacturing Company of Dayton, Ohio, the pioneer in the introduction of cash registers into business and, at the same time, the greatest and most successful concern of the kind in the world. This company has $5,000,000 in capital, 2,050 employes, 267 patents, a total sale of 185,000 registers of 150 different styles, 3000 of which are sold monthly, 12½ acres of floor space, 144 officers in all parts of the world, a payroll of $27,000 per week or $1,500,000 per year. This is a showing of this remarkable organization compressed into the briefest space possible. It is a record of good management, but, at the same time, it is the touchstone of success, the reward meted out because of the incomparable excellence of the register which it puts upon the market. The possibilities of what was originally called the "cash-register" seem to be without number in the hands of this company. At first, the register was simply intended to automatically show "amount purchased" and the cash receipts for a given time. Today the National Cash Register does that and a number of other things, which, otherwise, at a great expenditure of time, mental effort and consequent worry and nervous exhaustation would have to be done by the merchant himself. The register is now not only the receiving teller of the store or shop. It has become the detector and menace of dishonest employes, the cashier, the paying teller, the bookkeeper and the recorder of every transaction of the day's business. It is the silent but circumspect witness of whatsoever passes in review of its observant eyes and luminous countenance, and reveals its secrets only to the man who has honored it with his unfaltering confidence. It is the business man's bosom and confidential friend—nay, adviser, because the record insensibly suggest to the man of affairs that his business is retrograding, that he is a victim of clerical incompetency or piracy, or that he is prospering in his line, and this is all that the most trusted human friend or advisor could do in the premises.

It is as the trusted representative in California of the great company which manufactures this mechanical embodiment of human perseverance, probity and perfection, that ex-Mayor Pierce occupies rooms 310, 311, 312, 313, 317, 318 and 319 in the Parrott (Emporium) Building San Francisco. He is genial and gentle, attracts and never repels, inspires appreciation in all whom he meets, and leaves nothing undone to further the interests of the National Cash Register Company.

In this connection it may be said that the factory of this company is known, everywhere as "The Model Factory of the World." It is in reality an industrial paradise. There reciprocity of feeling exists between employer and employe and each is the partaker of the benefits which follow reciprocity of interest. Capable operatives only are employed, because a register's machinery must be as true and skillfully made as that of a watch. The management cannot do too much for such employes. Amere epitome of what it has done would fill a Tribune page. Yearly $615 is paid in prizes for suggestions as to how the business could be improved. Each operative is allowed twenty minutes a week for a free bath. Janitors are constantly at work keeping the factory clean. There are no slovenly operatives. A library on wheels is run through the factory. There are meals, white aprons, rest rooms, music rooms for the women who, to avoid crowded cars, come back to work an hour later than the men and leave the factory ten minutes before them. There are Sunday schools, kindergartens, lectures, picnics, entertainments — all free. Homes are beautifully designed and premiums given for the "best front and backyard." Flowers and vines are in and outside the factory. Every where an employe looks he sees something to delight the eye, to elevate the thought and dignify human labor. This, in one sense, is philanthropy. Not so, however, in the mind of the president of the National Cash Register Company. "This is not philanthropy," he says. "It is all paid for in the uplifting of the men and women and the excellence of the service which they render."

LIKENESS AND IMITATION.

Imitation may be the sincerest flattery, but imitation never produces the deepest resemblance. The man who imitates is concerned with that which is outward, but kinship of spirit is inward. He who is next of kin to a master mind will be too great for the work of a copyist; he will be influenced, if at all, unconsciously, and though the intellectual relationship may be expressed also in some external traits of speech and manner, the true likeness will be in the temper of the soul and the sameness of the moral purpose.—Henry Van Dyke.

THE HIGHEST FORM OF ENERGY.

In every field of knowledge which we are studying is some law or phase of energy, and the original as well as the highest energy is will. In the world of nature it is exhibited in one series of forms, those which produce the results known to us as chemical, physical, biological; in the history of mankind it is manifested in the forms of feelings, thoughts, deeds, institutions. Because the elements of self-consciousness and reflection are present in the latter series and absent in the former it is to these and knowledge of them that we must accord the first place in any table of educational values.—Nicholas Murray Butler.

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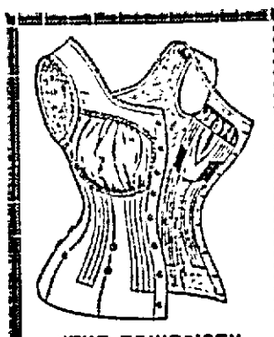

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Among the well-known institutions of learning in Alameda County, St. Mary's College, situated in one of the most fashionable suburbs of Oakland, is among the most popular. Originally located on the Bernal Heights of San Francisco, owing to the boisterous climatic conditions, it was transferred, far-removed from the fogs and bleak winds of the Pacific to the milder and more salubrious atmosphere of the Athens of the Pacific Slope.

Founded by the Most Reverend Archbishop Alemany in the year 1863 it was chartered with the privileges of a University by the State Legislature of California in the year 1872. During its twenty-eight years of existence, it has steadily, year by year, sent out its graduates well equipped for the battle of life to struggle for success in the various professions and avocations, as lawyers, doctors, merchants. And even in the ranks of the clergy, St. Mary's students have achieved an honorable position.

The discipline of the college is mild but firm, as mild as is consistent with the inculcation of true religious principles. The Brothers of the Christian Schools, to whom the educational charge of the institution was confided in the year 1868, desiring always to form a family circle with their students prefer to rely on the principle of honor as the highest type of Christian manliness for the maintenance of discipline and propriety of conduct.

Science, in its various branches, chemistry, practical and theoretical, surveying, modern languages taught on the latest and most original methods, phonography, type writing, telegraphy, banking and commercial law form subjects among the many courses of study pursued in this institution and show that no pains are spared to give as practical an education as possible and fit the student in the shortest space of time to gain his living by his own exertions.

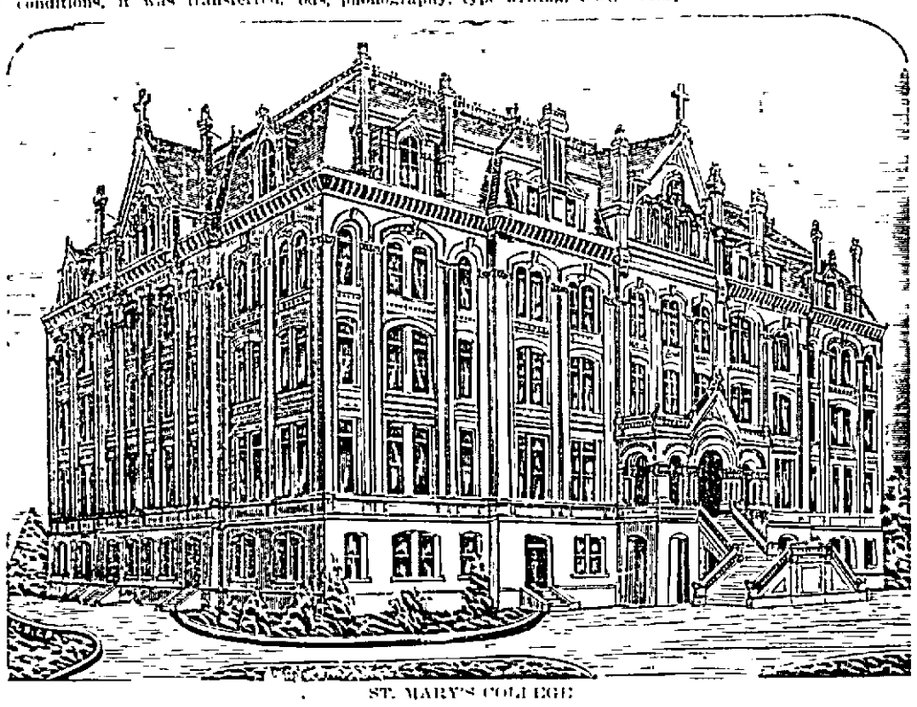
There are two courses at St. Mary's College, the Collegiate and Commercial. The degrees of Bachelor of Science, Master of Science, Bachelor of Arts, Master of Arts, and Commercial diplomas are awarded to the successful graduates.

The cuisine is select but substantial. There is a well-equipped infirmary for the sick students, besides billiard rooms, a chemical laboratory, a college museum, elaborate sets of apparatus for physical science, and all the various appurtenances requisite for a modern education.

In the able hands of the Reverend Brother Reginold, one of the oldest and best known educators on the Pacific Slope, the College has made wonderful strides during the last few years, and it may safely be said that, for a thoroughly practical and up-to-date education its destinies could not be confided to better hands.

In looking after the mental progress of the students, the management of St. Mary's has not overlooked their physical well-being. Adjacent to the college are grounds devoted to athletics and these are constantly in use, during leisure moments, by the students. As a consequence, the young men, in every instance, become living exemplars of the principle of a sound mind in a sound body.

Structurally speaking, St. Mary's is one of the finest buildings devoted to education in the country. It is six stories in height, built of brick with walls as solid as granite and commands one of the finest landscape views to be found in Alameda County. In a word, St. Mary's is a model in every point from which it may be viewed.



ST. MARY'S COLLEGE

MISS HORTON'S SCHOOL.

A Private Academy Which Has Attained to Success.

Among other evidences of the growth of Oakland the increasing support given to Miss Horton's School must not be overlooked. By a personal interview with Miss Horton these are some of the facts learned of the history and growth of the school, that it is now sixteen years old, that there are in attendance one hundred and forty pupils, that these are both girls and boys, varying in age from seven to nineteen years of age that, although definite preparation is made for University work this is far from being the main purpose of the school, which purpose might perhaps be summed up in the two words 'INDIVIDUAL GROWTH.'

To this end the training includes opportunity for development in some lines not included in, and not yet possible to, the public schools of our city. Instruction in modern languages begins early and is continued throughout the entire course, so that a pupil has a practical return for his efforts in the power to pursue further literary or scientific study in either French or German, or in the added pleasure that a knowledge of these languages gives the foreign traveler.

Any Tuesday or Thursday you may see twenty girls and boys busy at the sloyd benches. These are preparing themselves, not to become "carpenters," as some suppose but to handle more effectively, through this manual training, the tools of any occupation or profession they may later chose to follow, because of the increased physical and mental power which this training certainly gives. This work is begun by children of eight and continued through the grammar grades. The writer understands that it may continue into the high school years, if a student's course gives the time for it. There is also physical training, through gymnastic exercises of great variety, for all ages.

One cannot help feeling in passing through the various rooms of this school that there is something beyond the 'commonplace' in the atmosphere that pervades it, that there is a steady effort to maintain high ideals, and that encouragement is given to each to offer only his best as his share in the school's growth. And yet, the one point which Miss Horton emphasized in conversation with the interviewer was that increasing love for honest work of any kind whatsoever, was the evidence of growth she desired to see.

Oakland is justly proud of this school, which is yearly becoming more closely identified with her activities and interests.

EAST BAY SANATORIUM.

Dr. Krone's Model Hospital and Home for Sick and Ailing.

The East Bay Sanatorium and training school for Nurses was founded in the fall of 1896 in a building erected expressly for hospital purposes at 1505 Telegraph avenue, which it has since occupied. The founder and manager, Dr. Clark R. Krone, has been successful in giving to the regular medical profession of Oakland what they greatly needed, namely a well-conducted and well-equipped private hospital. There, at moderate cost, serious illness can be scientifically treated and the sick be nursed back to health, or surgical operations of any magnitude may be performed, under aseptic conditions and surroundings, and with the help of trained assistants and appliances.

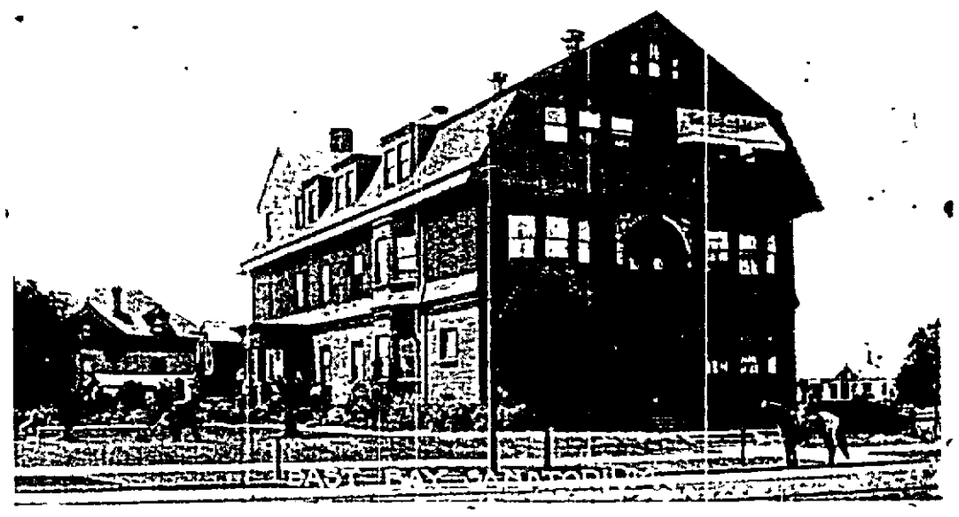
The East Bay Sanatorium Training School for Nurses has furnished to Oakland some of its best trained nurses.

Physicians and public alike appreciate their skill and devotion to the highest extent.

The building situated on one of the most frequented thoroughfares of Oakland, its third story windows open to the hills on the east and to San Francisco bay and the Golden Gate on the west, has, for some time, been rather small for the increasing demands. Within the last few months, Doctor Krone has acquired additional rooms by securing for himself and family a private residence nearby on Telegraph avenue, where a number of the pupil nurses have also found comfortable quarters.

With some internal changes, new rooms in the Sanatorium for patients were thereby gained and the hospital was increased in usefulness as it offers more space to the sick.

Among many, the old dread of hospital still exists, but the East Bay Sanatorium has endeared itself in the memory of a goodly number of grateful patients and their friends and Oakland may well be proud of an institution which, without charitable aid or purpose, fulfills a want with so much grace, skill and success. The home-like appearance of the building and interior, the kind and careful treatment of the suffering and their friends, a perfect cuisine and splendid service have helped not a little in dispelling hospital dread and in making the East Bay Sanatorium a popular institution. As time passed on and the demands increased, the East Bay Sanatorium has improved its facilities. It was there that the X-Ray treatment of Lupus found its first exponent in Oakland. There, also, a number of patients found diagnosis and verification of conditions, which the Roetgen Ray projects on photographic sensitive plate or makes appear on the fluoroscopic screen.



EAST BAY SANITARIUM, TELEGRAPH AND THIRTY-FIRST STREET.

M. J. KELLER CO.

A Firm With Many Employes and Business All Over Pacific Coast.

The M. J. Keller Company is twenty-one years old. M. J. Keller began business in 1879 at 1007 Broadway with one assistant. The force of employes now numbers nearly 200, occupying the entire building at 1157 and 1159 Washington street.

The name of Keller is probably better known today throughout the Western States than that of any other business man on the Coast. Fourteen travelers are constantly scouring the country in search for business, and there is scarcely a man west of the Rockies who has not, at some time, been personally reminded that Oakland is the place where Keller lives. Incidentally, this feature has probably served as much as any other to build up this city to what it is today.

Men's furnishing goods was the sole line carried by Mr. Keller at the outset. Later, a custom shirt manufacturing department was added, and Mr. Keller found his pace. Other departments were inaugurated from time to time until today 18,000 square feet of floor space is inadequate to accommodate the manufacturing plant of this company.

In 1890, the business was incorporated, and a system of profit-sharing adopted. As has been true in the experience of many others, this did not prove a complete success and was discontinued after a time. The system has lately been revived in a different form, however, and will be enlarged upon in the near future.

Mr. Keller has ever been identified with the early closing movement in Oakland. His was the first furnishing goods store to remain closed on Sundays. The change in the closing hour from 9 to 8 o'clock p. m. was inaugurated by Mr. Keller, and steadfastly adhered to in the face of non-support from fellow merchants. Personally, Mr. Keller favors still farther shortening of the hours of labor.

M. J. KELLER.

The now popular cry "expansion" has been Mr. Keller's slogan for twenty-one years, and, though the progress of the company, as guided by his tireless hand has been rapid, yet, his plans for the coming year, when completed, will undoubtedly more than double the business and influence of this concern.

Prominent among the many obstacles that have stood in the way of progress of the M. J. Keller Company has been California's peculiar license laws which are now in force in nearly every city and county of the State. By virtue of these laws, those who sell direct to the consumer the products of home manufactories ARE COMPELLED TO PAY A TAX THEREON, whereas, competitors, with plants located in foreign territory, and whose enterprise serves to enrich competing States, PAY NO TAX AT ALL. This is a state of affairs which is generally considered unjust, and will undoubtedly receive attention eventually from the State Legislature.

WHEN WE CAME BACK

When we came back to the old beloved places,
Home of our dreams we had forgotten quite
Days of our grief when new o'er little faces
Grass waved and dew fell in the starless night.

Leaves of green silk, laughing skies of azure,
Rose freshly blowing, and birds in the bowers;
So in that May the spring spilled out her treasure,
Young Love went walking knee-deep in flowers.

Just for a space our hearts forgetting wholly
Wreckage of winter and blight in the groves;
How Death came walking heavily and slowly
O'er the saddest garlands that once were Love's.

Mercy of mercies! We were so glad returning,
Old griefs forgotten, old joys renewed;
Death that was Life no longer wears the mourning,
Death that was Love hath raised his shadowy hood.

—Boston Journal.

"Ah!" she said, "if I were to die would—"

"Hush!" he protested, shuddering.

"No, love I must know"—her warm breath swept his cheek"—would you follow me to the grave?"

"How can I tell?" he said, frankly. "Might not your family decide to have the interment private?" — Philadelphia Press.

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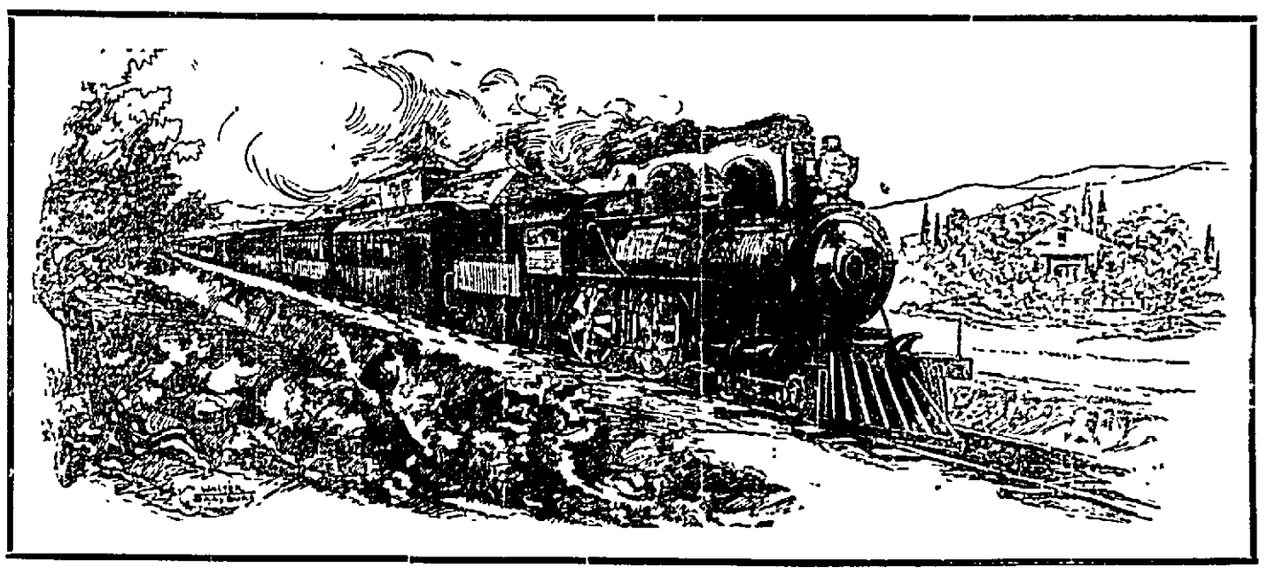

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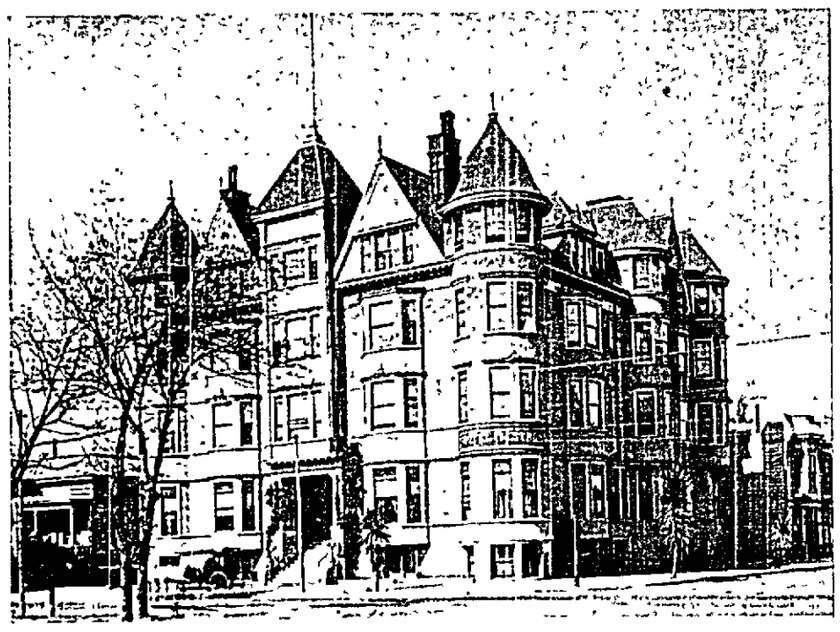
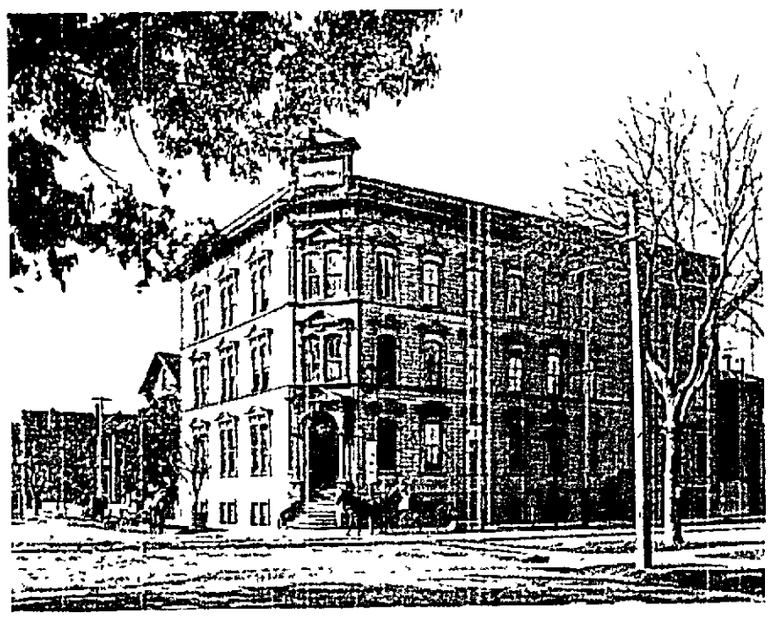


HOTEL METROPOLE, THIRTEENTH AND JEFFERSON STREETS.

THE METROPOLE HOTEL.

Made Popular on the Coast by the Manager R. M. Briare.

The Hotel Metropole at the northwest corner of Thirteenth and Jefferson streets, has been remarkably successful under the management of R. M. Briare. It is beautifully designed, extremely and interestingly emtwypsiness terlorly and interlorly, is laid out in a model manner for the accomodation of commercial people, travelers, single or in parties, or for families. It is richly, even luxuriously furnished, and is supplied with every modern convenience of hotel life. The cuisine is equal to that of the best hotels in San Francisco, and the rates are most liberal when the service is taken into consideration. The Metropole is not a "family hotel" any more than is the Palace a family hotel. It seeks all first-class patronage. It is a gem in which to have a wedding dinner, and without a peer as the place for a social banquet, where excellence is desired in menu, service and surroundings. Its doors are open to those who desire to vary the monotony of home life by taking a single meal at any time, more especially on a Sunday or a holiday. The Metropole is known to and recommended by every leading hotel man on the coast and enjoys the patronage of the successful commercial and professional men and people of means traveling in search of pleasure or business.



PACIFIC PRESS PUBLISHING COMPANY TWELFTH AND CASTRO STREETS.

PACIFIC PRESS PUB. CO.

An Industry Which Does a Large Business and Employes Many Operatives.

The Pacific Press Publishing Company is one of the largest and best equipped printing and publishing houses on the Pacific Coast. The buildings of this company occupy over one-half of the block bounded by Eleventh and Twelfth and Brush and Castro streets, Oakland, Cal. They are lighted by electricity and heated by steam. The illustration herewith shows the main building, corner of Twelfth and Castro streets. The company has an investment in real estate and machinery of over $100,000. About 200 persons are employed in the various departments, and the pay roll is over $6,000 per month. The paper stock consumed in the various publications issued by this house amounts to from two to four tons per day, or over a carload every week. Over a score of modern printing presses are required to carry on the extensive business of the company, besides a large perfecting press built especially for printing the weekly paper, the "Signs of the Times." Besides the general business of printing, binding, electrotyping, etc., the Pacific Press Publishing Company issues the following periodicals: "Signs of the Times," a 16-page weekly, illustrated family journal, with an average circulation of over 40,000 copies per week; "Our Little Friend," an illustrated weekly, adapted especially to the little ones, with a circulation of about 16,000 copies weekly.

The company has established branch offices at 39 Bond street, New York; 18 West Fifth street, Kansas City, Mo.; 16 Crocker building, San Francisco.

Christmas Sketches

Sir Walter Scott Describes the Celebration in the Olden Times

"And there were in the same country shepherds watching and keeping the night watches over the flock. And behold, an Angel of the Lord stood by them, and the brightness of God shone round about them; and they feared with a great fear. And the angel said to them: "Fear not; for hold I bring you good tidings of great joy that shall be to all the people. For this day is born to you a Savior, who is Christ the Lord, in the city of David. And this shall be a sign unto you. You shall find the infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and laid in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly army, praising God, and saying: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to all men of good will.'"

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In "Ben Hur" there is the beautiful story of three wise men who followed the star till it stopped over the cave at Bethlehem, where the Christ-child was born.

And the story ends as follows:

"The people from the roof came down and followed the strangers. At sight of the star above the cave, some turned back afraid; the greater part went on. When they were at the door, it was high overhead—vanishing. And the witnesses saw a divine relation between the star and the strangers.

"The apartment was lighted by a lantern enough to find the mother, and the child awoke in her lap.

"'Is the child there?' asked Balthasar of Mary.

"And she who had kept all the things in the least affecting the little one, and pondered them in her heart, held it up in the light saying:

"'He is my son.'

"And they fell down and worshipped him. In a little while they rose, and returning to the camels brought gifts of gold, frankinsense and myrrh, and laid them before the child, abating nothing of their worshipful speeches, of which no part is given for the thoughtful know that the pure worship of the pure heart was then what it is now, and has always been, an inspired song.

"And this was the Savior they had come so far to find.

"Yet they worshipped without a doubt. Why?

"Their faith rested upon the signs sent them by him who we have since come to know as the Father; and they were of the kind to whom His promises were so all-sufficient that they asked nothing about his ways. Few there were who had seen the signs and heard the promises—the Mother and the Joseph, the shepherds and the Three—yet they all believed alike; that is to say, in this period of the plan of salvation, God was all, and the child nothing. But look forward, O reader! A time will come when the signs will all proceed from the Son. Happy they who then believe in Him!"

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The great holiday of the year in all Christian nations, is undoubtedly Christmas, the day on which is commemorated the nativity of the Savior.

In most northerly countries, especially among the Celts and the Germans, the twenty-fifth of December has always been celebrated with the greatest festivities.

In olden times at the winter solstice, the Germans held their great Yule feast, in commemoration of the return of the fiery sun-wheel.

Many of the beliefs and usages of the old Germans passed over to modern time and have partly survived to the present day. But the church has sought to combat and banish, and it was to a large extent successful—the deep-rooted heathen feeling, by adding its grandly devised liturgy. Hence sprang the manger songs, the Christmas carols, and Christmas dramas, and at a later day the Christmas trees, adorned with lights and gifts and reciprocal presents. Because of the anniversary of the birth of the Christ-child, and the beautiful traditions, Christmas has become a universal social festival for young and old, high and low, as no other Christian festival has become. The Christmas festivities at one time lasted with more or less brilliancy till Candlemas, and with great spirit till Twelfth day.

In England it used to be the custom on Christmas eve, after the usual decorations were over, to light large candles and throw on the hearth a huge log, called the Yule log or Christmas block.

The favorite dishes for breakfast and supper at this season were the boar's head with an apple or orange in the mouth, and set off with rosemary, plum pudding and mince pies. The houses and churches were decked with evergreens, especially with mistletoe, to which a tradition any sacredness has attached since the days of the Druids. The Nativity has been represented by a host of great painters, and it is the inspiring theme of a large part of Handel's greatest triumph, the Messiah.

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Perhaps the Christmas Carols which have most heart in them, most human sympathy, are those written by the master hand of Charles Dickens. He calls his Christmas stories "Christmas Carols in Prose," and says, in his own quaint fashion:

"My purpose was, in whimsical kind of masque, which the good humor of the season justified, to awaken some loving and forebaring thoughts, never out of season in a Christmas land."

Where has one ever read of a merrier Christmas picture than in the happy ending of "The Cricket on the Hearth," where after all the trials and tribulations and misunderstandings of the year:

"Well, if you'll believe me, they have not been dancing five minutes, when suddenly the Carrier flings his pipe away, takes Dot around the waist, dashes out into the room, and stands off with her, toe and heel, quite wonderfully. Old Dot no sooner sees this than up he is, all alive, whisks off Mrs. Dot into the middle of the dance, and is the foremost there.

"Caleb no sooner sees this than he clutches Tilly Slowboy by both hands and goes off at score; Miss Slowboy, firm in the belief that diving hotly in among the other couples and effecting any number of concussions with them is your only principle of footing it. Hark! how the cricket joins the music with its chirp, chirp, chirp; and how the kettle hums!"

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"We all remember Ebenezer Scrooge and how he mocked at Christmas. But we also remember the great lesson he learned, and how he said to the Spirit:

"I will honor Christmas in my heart, and try to keeu it all the year. I will live in the past, the present and the future. The spirits of all these shall strive within me. I will not shut out the lessons that they teach."

And because of the lovely Christmas spirit, one remembers the beautiful ending:

"Scrooge was better than his word. He did it all and infinitely more; and to Tiny Tim he was a second father. He became as good a friend, as good a master and as good a man as the good old city knew, or any other good old city in the good old world.

"Some people laughed to see the alteration in him, but he let them laugh, for he was wise enough to know that nothing ever happened on this globe for good at which some people did not have their fill of laughter in the outset. And knowing that such as these would be blind anyway, he thought it quite as well that they should wrinkle up their eyes in grins, as have the malady in less attractive forms. His own heart laughed, and that was enough for him. It was always said of him, that he knew how to keep Christmas well, if any man alive possessed the knowledge.

"May that be truly said of us, and all of us. As Tiny Tim observed, 'God bless us, every one!'"

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And one remembers the story of "The Chimes," and the many messages they rang out:

"They were singing—bless their sturdy hearts, they were singing. Great bells, as they were; melodious, deep that before?

mouthed, noble bells; cast in no common metal; made by no common foundry; when had they ever chimed like you,"owith erse ditcvet shrdlu afrmm

"'I see the spirit of the chimes among you,' cried the old man. 'I know that our inheritance is held in store for for us by Time. I know there is a sea of Time to rise one day, before which all who wrong us or oppress us will be swept away like leaves. I know that we must trust and hope, and neither doubt ourselves, nor doubt the good in one another. O spirits, merciful and good, I am grateful!"

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Sir Walter Scott describes "Christmas Carols in the Olden Time" as follows:

"Heap on more wood, the wind is chill,
But let it whistle as it will,
We'll keep our Christmas merry still.
Each age has deemed the new born year,
The fittest time for festal cheer.

And well our Christian sires of old
Loved when the year its course had rolled,
And brought bright Christmas back again,
With all its hospitable train,
Domestic and religious rite
Gave honor to the holy night.

On Christmas eve the bells were rung;
On Christmas eve the mass was sung;
The damsel donned her kirtle sheen,
The hall was dressed with holly green,
Forth to the wood did merry men go,
To gather in the mistletoe
Then opened wide the baron's hall

To vassal, tenant, serf and all,
Power laid his rod of rule aside,
And ceremony doffed his pride.
The heir with roses in his shoes,
That night might village partner choose.

All hailed with uncontrolled delight,
And genial voice, the happy night,
That to the cottage as the crown,
Brought tidings of salvation down.

The fire, with well dried logs supplied,
Went roaring up the chimney wide;
The huge hall's table oaken face—
Scrubbed till it shone the day to grace—
Bore then upon its massive board
No mark to part the squire and lord.

Then was brought in the lusty brawn,
By old blue-coated serving man
Then the grim boar's head frowned on high,
Crested with bays and rosemary.
Well can the green-garbed ranger tell,
How, when and where the monster fell.

The wassail round in good brown bowls,
Garnished with ribbons, blithely trolls.
Then the huge sirloin reeked; hard by
Plum porridge stood — and Christmas pie;
Nor failed old Scotland to produce
At such high tide her savory goose.

Then came the merry masquers in,
And carols roared with blithesome din,
White shirts supplied the masquerade,
And smutted checks the visors made;
But, oh! what masquers richly dight
Can boast of bosoms half so light?

England was merry England, when
Old Christmas brought his sports again;
'Twas Christmas broached the mightiest ale,
'Twas Christmas told the mightiest tale;
A Christmas gambol oft could cheer
The poor man's heart through half the year.

—Saturday Night.

MEXICAN WOMEN.

It is odd to encounter brisk, businesslike, energetic young Mexicans talking American college slang! They do this, and they know our social customs and like them. They all speak with pleasure of the liberty of the American girl, and would like to change some customs here. Time is a sure modifier, and already one finds many Moro-Spanish customs dropping into desuetude. Young women in the capital go about alone to a much greater extent than was the case a few years ago; there is a perceptible feminine revolt against the old restrictions. Many young women are employed in shops and public offices. This is a novelty in a Latin-American country.

I met a young woman the other day walking down the street, and she told me she was studying typewriting and shorthand adapted to Spanish, with a view to earning her own living. Her manner was a fine blending of the Latin grace and the American independence.

A little girl of ten said the other day that she was going to learn English and be a "business woman."

In a provincial city a fortnight ago a wealthy and enterprising Mexican gentleman, whose home is a charming reproduction of a great Andalusian casa, told me of his plans for his eldest daughter. She is now in a great religious school, where government standards of instruction are the rule.

"I am," said this busy Mexican, "going to have my daughter learn telegraphy, typewriting and bookkeeping, and she is going to be put in charge of all my accounts. She is now learning English well, and will know French. It is my belief that we Mexicans must throw over the foolish notion of the dependance of women, and teach them how to be independent and earn their own living in case of need. My property may vanish, and my girl must be superior to the vicissitudes of fortune."

ACCOMODATING.

A woman in a tattered shawl rang the bell of a stately mansion.

"May I die on your doorstep here?" she asked respectfully, of the butler who presently appeared.

"No!" was the brusque reply.

The woman was turning sadly away, when a beautiful child, with golden hair, cut in.

"Oh, papa," cried the child, "please do let the woman die on the doorstep!"

"Very well," said the father, for he could deny his little daughter nothing.

So the woman died on the doorstep, feeling that the world was not altogether dark, after all.

JAMES A. WAYMIRE.

Distinguished at the Bar and Promoter of the Turlock Irrigation System.

Hon. James A. Waymire of Alameda is an admirable type of the forceful American who has achieved success and eminence by his own unaided exertions. He is a fine example of what native force and intellect can accomplish when animated by an indomitable and persevering desire to succeed. His conquest of fortune is due to no adventitious circumstances, but is the meed solely of a high concentrated purpose that has guided him during a life of strenuous endeavor. It is the reward of pluck, character and brains.

When only a lad of 10 his family emigrated from his birthplace, St. Joseph, Mo., to California in the early fifties, but afterward settled in Oregon, where Judge Waymire grew to manhood among the primitive surroundings of a frontier settlement. The opportunities for education and advancement were few, but Judge Waymire seized all that were offered and fitted himself by every resource at his command for a life of useful and intellectual activity.

He responded to the call for volunteers when the war between the States broke out and served for five years on the frontier, first as a private of volunteers and afterward as an officer in the United States Cavalry. He retired from the army with a most creditable record as a soldier.

In 1872 he settled in California and began the practice of law, for which he had fitted himself with characteristic thoroughness. He served for four years as Superior Judge of San Francisco, achieving the reputation of being a jurist of high order. He also became noted as a strong and lucid writer on legal and political subjects. He speedily took such high rank that he has frequently been urged for appointment to the Federal Supreme Court and for various places in the Presidential Cabinet.

Many years ago Judge Waymire became deeply interested in the irrigation question, and after the passage of the Wright Irrigation Law was a leading spirit in the organization of several irrigation districts in which he assumed heavy financial interests. During the long period of litigation that followed Judge Waymire staked his entire fortune and his professional reputation on the outcome. After years of legal battling and financial struggling he had the proud satisfaction of seeing his judgment vindicated by the United States Supreme Court and his fortune rescued by the success of the great undertaking in which he had embarked it.

The completion of the Turlock canal in Stanislaus county, at a cost of $1,000,000 and with a capacity for irrigating 176,210 acres of choice land is largely due to his tireless energy and indomitable courage. It is estimated that the value of this land, which was given a cash appraisement of $4,400,000 before the canal was completed, has been more than doubled by the construction of this magnificent irrigation system. In productiveness it has more than trebled. Such is the beneficent work of the empire-builder.

The water is taken from the Tuolumne river by means of a stone dam costing $500,000, and is carried into the valley by a canal twenty-four miles long, being distributed over the district by means of 115 miles of lateral canals. It is a stupendous enterprise mainly carried out during the severest financial depression California has ever known.

Judge Waymire has for many years been an ardent admirer of President McKinley, and championed him for the Presidency with characteristic zeal and energy. In 1896 he urged the nomination and subsequent election of Mr. McKinley with voice and pen and was an influential factor in bringing California to his support. He prophesied that an era of great properity and industrial activity would follow McKinley's election and events have vindicated his foresight.

This year Judge Waymire was again prominent in advocating the re-election of McKinley. He delivered many stirring speeches in the East and wrote a series of able articles for the public prints in advocacy of the President's claims to popular confidence.

At the age of 58 Judge Waymire is in the full vigor of his intellectual powers and enjoys the robust health of a virile manhood that has never been sapped or wasted. His home is one of the show places of Alameda. It is the handsomest residence in the city, set in a park of six acres filled with trees and rare shrubs from all parts of the world. The beauty of these spacious and well kept grounds attests Judge Waymire's taste for arboriculture and his love of rural surroundings. Here the Judge holds affectionate companionship with his books and trees and gives hospitable welcome to all who visit him. It is the typical California home of the typical Californian of the noblest stamp.

JOSEPH B. McCHESNEY.

An Experienced and Successful Educator; Thirty-One Years as a Principal.

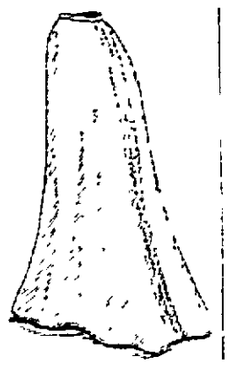
Joseph B. McChesney, the principal of the High School of this city, occupies a peculiar and an honorable position. It is he who puts the finishing touches upon the education of hundreds of young people who enter the University of California, as he does, also, in a special manner, to that of many others who never enter a classroom after graduating from the High School. He has held that position since 1869, a period of thirty-one years, and during that time, under his tutelage, 1 800 young people have graduated from the school to take up the struggle for existence. Such a term of service as an educator and such a showing as a principal are vouchsafed to few men. Mr. McChesney fills his place with ability and has years yet before him in which to continue his good work. He is a native of New York. He graduated from Union College in Schenectady, N. Y., in 1857. He came to California in 1858. For five years he taught school in Forbestown in summer and in Oroville in winter. He came to Oakland and was the first principal of the High School, and has remained here since.

DIED TOO SOON.

In the days of his thirsty and shabby Bohemian existence how surprised Edgar Allen Poe would have been if some one had told him that in the year 1900 a single copy of the first edition of his "Tamerlane" would be sold for $2,050.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

AN OLD-TIMER.

This reminds us of a pleasant story told by old Pliny: "There goeth a pretty jeast of a notable drunkard of Syracuse, whose manner was when hee went into the Taverne to drinke, to lay certain egges in the earth and cover them with mould, and he would not rise nor give over bibbing untill they were hatched."



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County Recorder A. K. Grim Tells how Things Are Coming Our Way

Alameda County Is Forging to the Front and Bids Fair to Win First Place in the State—Good News From the Recorder at Christmas Time

Year.	Receipts.
1895	$19,500
Net to County above running expenses of Recorder's office	2,300
1899	$21,500
Net to County	4,750
1900 (December estimated)	$22,700
Net to County	5,000

In round figures, the above partly tells the tale of Alameda County's prosperity. Two years' work of County Recorder Grim and his office force, and these are the cold facts.

In 1898 the total receipts of the Recorder's office were $19,500, which netted the county treasury $2,300 after allowing for the running expenses of the Recorder's office.

The year 1899 saw an increase of receipts, the total being $21,500, and giving a net sum of $4,750.

This year the flood of prosperity has been even greater. Estimating this month by what has already been paid in, Recorder Grim finds that the year will show $22,700 of receipts, and that his office will turn into the treasury FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS, after paying all the running expenses.

But this is not all of the story showing wonderful good times in Alameda County. Since July 1, the releases of mortgages have increased to an unprecedented degree.

"This shows that people are getting free of debt," said Recorder Grim to a TRIBUNE man.

"Mortgages, deeds of trust, chattel mortgages and homesteads have decreased," he added, "while deeds have just about doubled. This indicates a very healthy condition of the real estate market in Alameda County. A great majority of the transfers recently recorded show that the property is without incumbrance.

"Conversing with men and women interested in real estate in this county conveys to me the intimation that the year 1901 will be a record breaker. All the indications are for a heavy year's work in this office. Usually a Presidential year is a slow one in a business sense, but 1900 has proven an exception to the rule. The figures I have quoted show that the era of prosperity which started in the East, has reached California and promises to remain with us. Instead of a light business in this office this year, we have gained, and the documents filed here are evidence that the gain is substantial.

"They show that Alameda County is enjoying prosperity. Our people are getting free of debt. They are getting their realty back into their own hands free of incumbrance.

"Where is the greatest activity? Why Berkeley has it. The deeds recorded show that the university city and its neighborhood is more sought after than any other part of Alameda County. The new buildings out that way have been going up constantly the past year. The transfers of real estate there have been of daily occurrence.

"Speaking of building operations, which are another evidence of our prosperity, we have recorded forty-five building contracts since July 1. That is largely in excess of any former half year's record in that line so far as our knowledge goes. It shows that our people have money and confidence, and that Alameda County is going ahead in a substantial way.

"People don't come down to this office and pay their money for buncombe, or 'wash sales.' The documents—deeds especially—filed here are unmistakable evidence of solid business transactions. They prove to anybody who cares to investigate that real estate in Alameda County is increasing in value—not stagnating — but actually becoming more valuable month after month. I venture to say that if you talk with men who arrange real estate sales you will find there is more inquiry now for bargains than for several previous years. We don't want what is termed a 'boom,' but we do appreciate the conditions which we find are fostering our county.

"Just tell the world that Alameda County is on the map; and not only can we give majorities to the statesman who is on guard at Washington, but we are pleased to share in that prosperity of which he is the recognized 'advance agent.'

"Of course, we all know, and have always felt, that Alameda County real estate was 'the real thing'—good to have and to hold. Perhaps the fact that the Government has expended many millions of dollars in this State the last three years is one cause of our feeling as if we were 'on velvet.' Anyway, our home people feel that they have things coming their way, and if you notice you will find many strangers are coming here to settle, and most of them come with full purses.

"It is coming to be known elsewhere that this is 'God's country'—that the land is fair to look upon and good to dwell in. We are an easy folk to get on with. We sometimes may temporarily make mistakes, but we are quick to remedy them. We forgive and forget our errors. We strive to do better each year. With such a spirit manifesting itself the result is that Alameda County is bound to forge ahead. That is why our real estate is being sought after. Some day we will be in another class by ourselves and it will be at the head of the list—not a third class, as now.

"Don't forget that we have the location. We are on the right side of the bay, and things are bound to come our way."

THE ESKIMOS ARE EXPERT TRADERS

Through increasing contact with white men from the States who visit the far North every summer, the Eskimos of arctic and sub-arctic Alaska have become traders of great shrewdness and ability. It can never be said that an Eskimo ever got more in trade than he gave; he usually gets much less. The law of supply and demand is universal, however, and the native is glad to give articles which are of great value in the markets of the United States in exchange for cheap things which to him are rare and useful, and, therefore, valuable.

The Eskimo is not to be regarded as a savage, for he is far from it. A trader might bring a shipload of looking glasses and glittering beads to this coast and at the end of the short summer season he would have no bear skins, no ivory, but he would know more about the Eskimo character. Articles more useful are demanded. Not a few men who have failed in the gold fields this year have conceived the idea that there is money to be made in trading with the natives, and at least one expedition for this purpose was fitted out this year, and others are promised for next season. They will probably make another failure. The slender population on these coasts is every year becoming smaller and the supply of furs and other family articles brought out for trade by the natives is decreasing.

Nevertheless, to return to the statement made at the beginning, the natives become more adept in trading as the years go by. They are the Yankees of the far North, even if they do have the complexions of Indians and many of the chief characteristics of the Japanese. Only in comparatively recent years have whaling ships penetrated to any extent into the waters of arctic Alaska. Owing to the wholesale slaughter of whales in the North Pacific the catch became smaller and smaller each year, until ships entered Behring Sea every year in considerable numbers. The slaughter of whales being transferred to these waters and resulting in depletion, the whaling ships entered the Arctic ocean in search of the bowhead.

The whaling men are the great traders of the region north and west of this port. Whales are sometimes scarce, and the whalers are glad to add to the precarious profits of a season's catch by trading for furs and other profits of the country. There are native settlements on the coast of Northern Alaska and on the islands of Behring Sea, where not more than one ship is seen in the course of a year. At other places three or four vessels call during the short season of navigation. The Bear, the steam barkentine employed for years in the revenue-cutter service on the Arctic cruise, is usually one of these vessels.

Every whaling vessel carries its stock of trade goods on a northern cruise, and even the officers on the Bear, though in the service of the government, are allowed to take along a limited quantity. In the case of government officers the trading is not carried on for profit, but for the purpose of obtaining relics of the country and articles of personal use.

The trade goods of a whaling ship ship consist of a pretty definite list of articles, and change little from year to year. The Eskimo's wants are few and he knows little of the luxuries of civilization. The list includes flour in bags, cloth, tea, sugar, tobacco, hard bread or sea biscuits, cartridges or needles and thread. The native has to offer in exchange mukloks, or walrus-hide boots, fox skins, walrus ivory, bear skins, deer skins, ivory buttons and various native implements and devices prized by white men as curios. It is interesting to find that various Eskimo settlements are headquarters for different articles comprised in this small lot. For example, if a whaler wants to trade for buttons he asks for them at St. Lawrence Island, for the natives at Northwest Cape are famous as makers of ivory buttons. King Island is the best place of all to trade for the curious ivory pipes found only in this part of the world, and if a visitor is so ambitious as to wish to carry a kyak or small native boat back to the United States with him, he had better make his trade with one of the little colony on this same island. For deer skins go to the Siberian coast or to Port Clarence; for fox skins to Kotzebue sound; for brown and polar bear skins to any of the Eskimo settlements north of Behring strait on the shores of the Arctic.

Bearskins were scarce this summer, for what reason no one seems able to explain. Nearly every summer it is possible to find several of these beautiful white pelts at the three or four principal settlements between Cape Prince of Wales and Point Barrow. Every year, too, the Eskimo seems to be disposed to demand a little higher price for his skins. They are gradually getting a vague idea of the market value of these things in the United States, or, to speak more accurately, they are learning how badly the white man wants the things the native man has to trade. Nevertheless, it is usually possible to buy on the Arctic coast a fine polar bear skin worth several hundred dollars in New York or Boston for three or four small sacks of flour, two or three cases of hard bread, and a few cartridges. If you make the trade on these terms you have paid from $15 to $2 for the skin. Frequently it is possible to buy a polar bear skin for less than $15; it is hard to say what the average price really is.

The visit of a whaling ship to one of these native settlements always excites interest among the Eskimos very much like that felt by the merchants in a small city when the circus comes to town. It is a holiday and a day for profitable enterprise, both in one. A ship is sighted by keen native eyes as soon as a few inches of her topmast shows, a mere speck above the horizon, and the village becomes a place of great activity. Boots or mukloks made during the winter with soles of walrus hide and tops of hair seal or deer skin are brought out, with walrus tusks, ivory buttons carved in the form of seals, foxskins, bearskins, and a large collection of miscellaneous curios which the white traders may fancy. The Eskimos think all white men are crazy. This is averred by all whites who know the Eskimo language and overhear the natives' conversation. They have been in no land but their own, and they cannot understand why white men should dig in the ground for gold and do other queer things unless they are the victims of unbalanced minds.

As soon as the ship drops anchor the natives are seen coming off in their oumiaks and kyaks—men, women and children, the whole population. Nearly every one of them has a poke or sort of pouch made of the whole skin of a hair seal slung over his shoulder. In these are contained the furs and ivory and boots that they wish to trade. Nearly every one of them has a paddle which he wields vigorously in his eagerness to reach the ship. There is a great deal of shouting and jabbering and laughing, for the Eskimo is always merry, and his sense of humor is the wonder of white men. A sailor throws a line from the whaler's afterdeck, and in a moment short, fat, smiling Eskimo men, women, boys and girls are rolling up over the sides of the ship. The whaling men then bring up their trade goods and the barter begins.

The Eskimo, in nine cases out of ten, assumes the position of the buyer; the whaler is the storekeeper or merchant. The native asks for what he wants, and the whaling man, if he has it, produces it and asks the native what he has to offer in return.

The process is rather more interesting when the white man appears in the role of buyer and the native in that of storekeeper. In that case, supposing the white man sees a pair of boots which he particularly wishes to obtain, a conversation something like this takes place, the white man beginning the conversation:

"What you want?"

"Calico," replies the native, using the one word by which Eskimos have learned to describe all kinds of cloth of whatever character.

"Capsini (how much) calico?" asks the buyer.

The native holds up four fingers, including the thumb, for if an Eskimo holds up one or more fingers to denote a number, one of these is the thumb. A white man doesn't do it that way.

"Fathom," replies the native, the accompanying use of the fingers denoting four fathoms.

If the white man agrees to the trade he measures off the cloth, extending both arms as far as they will reach for the purpose of drawing the cloth across his chin. Then the native takes it and stuffs it into his sealskin poke. The cloth is probably blue jeans or denim, or it may be some print cloth, costing 5 cents a yard in the United States, which is vastly pleasing to the Eskimo women and girls. Natives of both sexes cover up really beautiful reindeer-skin parkies or Eskimo coats with shirts made from blue denim or calico.

When the native named four fathoms as his price for the walrus hide boots, the white man knew that no better terms could be obtained. It is positively and invariably useless to try to beat down the native's price; he may want the calico very badly, but he will not reduce the price of his boots. If he can't get four fathoms of calico, back the boots go into the poke until another customer appears.

Offer a native a price which to him is ridiculously low for his goods, and he will probably laugh at you. He seems to think it is a good joke, and that you really cannot mean to be serious. At the price of four fathoms of calico for one pair of mukloks, which is a pretty low figure, the profit to the whaler is enormous. Eskimo mukloks are the best kind of footwear for the regions in which the Eskimo lives and thousands of white men in the Alaska mining camps and on the trails throughout the territory wear them in winter. Mukloks cost $6 a pair at Nome, seventy-five miles from here. Calico, even in Nome, is only 15 cents a yard.

At St. Lawrence island there is always a great supply of buttons. Formerly the custom was to carve them almost exclusively in the form of seals. Now they make them in all shapes imaginable, and some of them are decorated with colored spots and with carved and colored heads of birds and walruses. A little Eskimo boy, who had carved some buttons rudely from a piece of ivory, came on board a ship at St. Lawrence island this summer with an oumiak full of men and women from the settlement of Northwest Cape. He asked everybody on the ship for a colored pencil, making his wants known by producing a tiny piece of red crayon pencil which he must have obtained from some whaler a year and perhaps two years before. He seemed to want a colored pencil far more than most white boys want a bicycle, but there wasn't a pencil to be found on the ship. Apparently the boy wanted to use the crayon mixed with water or seal oil for coloring the carved spots and images on buttons and walrus tusks.

Over on the Siberian coast a different class of natives is found. They are in some cases nomadic and move about from place to place very frequently. But they are rich in the possession of large herds of reindeer. The Government has bought some of these in the last few years for the purpose of establishing reindeer stations along the coast on the American side. A reindeer can be obtained over on the Siberian side for three or four yards of calico or for a few pieces of hard bread.

It cannot be said that the contact with white men is of very much benefit to the Eskimo on either side of the Behring sea; in many respects it is distinctly harmful. The laws against liquor selling among the natives are very strictly enforced, but the whalers do sometimes evade it, and mischief always results. Even if liquor is not sold to the natives they are very likely to make an alcoholic drink from flour and sugar obtained in trade, and the consequences are harmful. Left alone, the natives on the American side are happy and contented with a lot which might be far worse, which white men are not improving.—Correspondence Chicago Inter-Ocean.

Lucy's Christmas Ride

Just Spend the Money on Caleb's Family

Caleb was looking at some papers when Lucy came into the room. He thrust them into the pocket of his overcoat.

"Caleb," said Lucy, "you've dropped a letter."

Caleb started, muttered and flushed. Lucy was already stooping for the letter. "Why," she exclaimed, "it's addressed to me!"

Caleb's wife came to his rescue. "Caleb forgot to give it to you. He got it last night after you were in bed. The postoffice was open late, on account of Christmas eve."

"I see," said Lucy. But the others looken anxious; they watched a frown gather while she read. "I don't understand," she murmured. There was no heading to the letter; she looked at the postmark for a name and date. The mark was blurred. She finished reading, then folded the letter and thrust it into its envelope.

"Come, Caleb," she said. "We'll be late to church." A glance of relief passed between the other two.

As they went out into the street, leaving the wife to cook the dinner, Caleb took off his overcoat and hung it over his arm.

"Won't you find it cold?" asked Lucy. "It's a rather raw day."

"A little raw," said Caleb, moving his shoulders as if he felt the cold. "But there' I'll soon warm up. You see, the coat's the only one I've got, and it's so old I don't like to be seen wearing it on Christmas day."

"Perhaps I—" began Lucy impulsively. She checked herself; she would give him a new coat and surprise him. Caleb turned his head away and hid a smile.

"John has written me such an unreasonable letter," she said. "One would think that he was living in the next town. And he writes as if he had written before. I must have missed one of his letters. He asks me to come today to his Christmas dinner."

"He does?" exclaimed Caleb. "But I thought you and John had quarreled!"

Lucy winced. Caleb had touched a sore spot. "At any rate," she said hastily, "I can't travel two hundred and fifty miles to John this morning. He says that since I won't come to spend several days he will have dinner at noon, so that I can go and come before night. Why, that's impossible."

"Strange," said Caleb.

"I don't see what he's thinking of," said Lucy.

They walked a while in silence, and Caleb shivered so that Lucy should see. It inspired her with a desire to get to church quicker. "Caleb," she said, "let's take the short cut."

The town was not large; its main street lay on a curve, and by a path through the fields they could save distance. But at the railroad crossing a freight train blocked the way. "Oh, dear!" said Lucy. "These trains sometimes stand here for hours."

"If the train should start!"

Caleb peered up and down the train. "I see no engine."

"Well, then," said Lucy. "You go first."

Caleb crossed in safety. "I'll leave my coat on the couplers so you shan't dirty your dress," he said. "Now, Lucy."

She climbed until she was seated on the beam jutting above the coupler. With care she swung her feet across and faced the farther side. "Now," she said, "are you sure you can lift me down?"

"Sure," said Caleb. Standing between the cars, he reached up to take her.

She grasped the brake rod with a scream. "Oh, Caleb, listen!"

Jarring and groaning along the line of cars. There was an engine! Her car started with a jerk; the other followed. Caleb was forced to move in the train's direction. "Jump down!" he cried.

"Never!" she answered firmly. "Caleb, you'll get hurt."

He drew out from between the cars and as the train went faster ran alongside. "Lucy!" he gasped in consternation. "Lucy!"

"Caleb!" she responded, helpless. The speed increased; she had a last glimpse of his fat, fair face. Then he was left behind.

A brakeman appeared at the top of the car. "Sure, mum," said he, "you're in for it."

"Stop the train!"

"I can't."

"How far are we going?" cried Lucy.

"Miles."

Lucy was wise. She knew the laws of tides and railroads and accepted the situation calmly.

"Can you keep your place?" asked the brakeman. "You'd best not try to climb up here."

"Indeed not!" she answered. "I will sit here." The beam was narrow, but Lucy was thin. She was secure.

"Make yourself comfortable then," he said. "You'll lose that coat from the couplers if you don't look out. Put it behind you to ease your back. No, wait; I'll do it."

He ran down his ladder—Lucy envied him his ease of movement—and, reaching over with one hand, picked up Caleb's coat. A pipe tumbled from the pocket and disappeared beneath the train. "Oh, dear!" cried Lucy.

"No use, mum," he said. "Here, we won't lose anything else." Standing braced, he searched the pockets and drew out a pair of old woolen gloves, a handkerchief and Caleb's package of papers. These, as Lucy sat crouched upon her shelf, he put into her lap, and stuffed the coat behind her. Then Lucy was left to her thoughts.

"It was dreary, it was cold. She was sheltered from the wind; the train moved with the even motion of a heavy body. She looked at the letters in her lap. Most of them were old, worn and dirty. Bills no doubt, and unpaid. Caleb, though her own cousin, was so shiftless. She thought of the letter in her pocket, but she could not get at it. She tried to remember what it had said; its ending especially. It was almost pathetic; something like this: "You said once I wanted your money. I don't. Now that I am well off, you must believe me. Spend it on Caleb's family, but let me have the satisfaction of being on friendly terms with my only sister. We are old enough to lay by our former differences."

There were tears in her eyes, and Lucy felt ashamed. If the brakeman should come he would see them. She looked again at the letters in her lap and pretended to be looking them over. To her surprise her own name, in her brother's writing, looked up at her from an unopened letter.

Oh, that Caleb. So forgetful. She had but one hand free, but she managed to open the letter, draw it from its envelope and unfold it. It was short:

"Why do you not answer? Lucy, please don't still be angry. We want you, so much, to come for Christmas. You've never seen the children. For their sakes let bygones be bygones and come to see your brother JOHN."

This was the letter she had missed. And yet it seemed to speak of still another. Lucy sat and puzzled. Perhaps it was also among Caleb's papers. She looked further. There it certainly was, as if it had traveled long in his pocket. The date, when she had opened it, she found to be December 1. A month in Caleb's pocket!

"Dear Lucy. Here we are, bag and baggage, in Sherman, only fifteen miles away from you. My business—

In Sherman! She almost dropped the letter from surprise. Then she read on:

"—takes me here. We had scarcely got settled before I met Caleb in the street."

Yes, Caleb often went to Sherman. Why had he not told her. Lucy frowned.

"I write this in haste for him to take to you. Will you not come to see us? Come for Christmas. Let us forget a part of old times and remember all the rest. Please come for the sake of your brother "JOHN."

Oh, that Caleb! It was all clear to her now. After all that she had done for him, the money that she had spent on his wife, his children, himself! The very turkey now cooking in his oven she had bought. And he would keep her brother's letters from her! Oh, that Caleb! And now it was Christmas day; John's dinner would be waiting for her; perhaps at that moment he himself was watching at the station. But could she ever get to Sherman now? Lucy felt a sudden despair.

A form appeared, stepping from car to car above her head. The brakeman looked down. "Are you comfortable, mum?" he asked politely.

"Brakeman," she screamed, "stop the train!"

"I'm sorry, mum," he said, "but it's only ten minutes more."

"Stop the train," she repeated in great agitation. "I must get off. I must get to Sherman this morning."

The brakeman grinned. "That's all right, then," he said. "It's to Sherman we're going."

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"But, Lucy," said her brother after the twentieth welcome, "how did you come? I went to two trains, and then I gave you up."

Lucy pursed her lips. "I didn't come on a regular train," she said.—Allen French in Munsey's Magazine.

CICERO'S WIT.

The retort exasperating is not a modern feature of a trial by jury. In the case against Verres—one of the great trials of antiquity—in which Cicero appeared for the prosecution and Hortensius for the defense, Cicero made a typical excursion against his opponent.

Hortensius was known, in violation of the law, which required the services of advocates at Rome to be gratuitous, to have received as a present from his client a valuable image of the Sphynx, one of the spoils of his government of Sicily. While Cicero was examining a witness Hortensius made a sally.

"You speak in riddles," said he. "I cannot understand you."

"That is odd," Cicero rejoined, "for you have a Sphynx at home to solve them."

Cicero's repartes were seldom without energy. When Clodius had been acquitted of the charge of sacrilege by jurors who had been bribed to bring in a favorable verdict, Cicero, who appeared as the defender of the republic, left the corrupt jurors and the favorers and supporters of the verdict without a word to say for themselves. He overwhelmed Clodius in the Senate to his face in a set speech. Then followed a duel of words, in which Cicero was all along the victor. Clodius, among other insinuations, said

"You have bought the house."

"You would think that he said," retorted Cicero, "you have bought a jury!"

"They did not trust you on their oath," said Claudius.

"Yes," said Cicero, "twenty-five jurors did trust me. Thirty-one did not trust you, for they took care to get their money beforehand."

Here there was a burst of applause, and Clodius broke down and remained silent.

There is nothing coldly classic in these examples of Cicero's ready wit, they might have come from a latter-day master of thrust and parry.—Youth's Companion.

REVERSIBLE STATESMEN.

In case Bryan runs again there will be trouble with Carl Schurz and Bourke Cockran, who have already been on both sides. But they will probably be equal to the effort required to reverse themselves in two ways.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

FASCINATING MEN BUT THEY ARE UGLY.

Little Queen Wilhelmina's selection of a husband is the least handsome of the brothers Mecklenburg-Schwerin.

Gossips whisper that the duke was taken by surprise, and yet it was not the first time, in spite of being a good deal of a detrimental, that he has been admired by royal ladies. Everybody knows that when pretty Princess Helena of Russia suddenly broke her engagement with Max of Baden it was because she hoped to persuade her parents to let her marry the stout blonde young dukeling whom Wilhelmina has selected; and the youngest daughter of the Duke of Edinburgh has loved the young duke in vain. In short, Heinrich of Mecklenburg-Schwerin is a good deal of a lady killer and he knows it. Fat and plain of face, and, for a royal person, distinctly poverty stricken, he has a fascination for womankind. The sort of fascination that there is no use trying to explain, because it is not perceptible to any but the persons fascinated.

One of the men who possessed this faculty to a most surprising degree was Napoleon Bonaparte's rival in the affections of Marie Louise, the infamous and all powerful Neipperg. He was an ugly creature, with small abilities and yet smaller fortune, and he had broken many hearts about the Austrian court before Marie Louise saw and fell furiously in love with him. With everything to lose and nothing to gain by her encouragement of the man, she left no stone unturned until she was able to make herself Neipperg's wife. In the eyes of the world it was a terrible degradation for the widow of the French emperor to become the wife of an Austrian count, but she cared not a whit what the world said, as was the case with the women who ran after the ugly spendthrift Wilkes, and the mad Duc de Richelieu.

Wilkes was famous in his day all over England, not only as lord mayor and chamberlain and a very loud talking patriot, but as the ugliest man of his time and the most admired by the women. He flouted and ill-treated all of them, with the exception of his daughter, but it had not the desired effect of cooling their affections. As to the Duc de Richelieu, though men could not tolerate him, when he was shut up in the Bastile crowds of women, old and young and rich and poor, used to collect every day, at the hour when he took his exercise on the parapets, and adore him from a distance, and deplore the incarceration of so charming a person.

Theodore Hook was another ugly man who was irresistible to the softer sex, for it is proven clearly that when a man is agreeable to women they care not in the least what his personal appearance may be. Liszt proved this; when an old man with a hard, ugly face women begged permission to kiss his ugly hands and raved and sentimentalized over him as though he were Adonis's self. Dozens of school girls and countesses who worshipped at his shrine cared not a pin for his music, nor understood a note of it, but were keenly alive to the charm of his personality which no woman so far as we know was ever able or willing to withstand.

THE EMBLEM OF THE FREE.

Oh, see that banner floating there,
Its stars so bright and stripes so fair;
It is the emblem of the free
That waves o'er land and sea.
No finer flag in all this world
Was ever to the breeze unfurled;
And conquered it shall never be,
This flag of liberty.

No North, no South, no East, no West,
No one can say who loves it best;
Each loyal heart it thrills to see
This emblem of the free.
Those stripes of red, that field of blue,
Those stars that sparkle like the dew,
Our joy and pride shall ever be,
This flag of liberty.

If o'er our homes these colors stream,
Or on the field of battle gleam;
In peace or war our guide shall be
This emblem of the free.
Let all who love sweet freedom's land
Beneath this banner firmly stand;
And conquered it shall never be,
This flag of liberty.

—Clarence Chrisman in Leslie's Weekly.

A WORD CAN-CAN.

A canner exceedingly canny
One morning remarked to his granny,
"A canner can can
Anything that he can,
But a canner can't can a can, can he?"
—Life.

HIS ANSWER.

"Johnny," queried the teacher of the new pupil, "do you know your alphabet?"

"Yes'm" answered Johnny.

"Well, then," continued the teacher, "what letter comes after A?"

"All the rest of them," was the triumphant reply.—Tit-Bits.

THE KILLING OF RULERS.

One of those assassinations full of mysterious happenings is the taking off of Abdul Aziz, Sultan of Turkey and Ruler of the Faithful, etc., etc., says a December Pearson's. As a Sultan, Abdul Aziz was far in advance of any of his predecessors, for he was intelligent, strangely honest for an Oriental, and progressive. His first step upon coming into power was to decimate the imperial harem and to reduce expenses in every possible way. This earned for him the dislike of certain members of the government, and accordingly a number of high officials plotted to remove him from further participation in the direction of the harem or other earthly affairs. At the head of the conspiracy were Hussein Pasha, Midhat Pasha, Mehemed Ruschdi, and others. Through bullying tactics they forced the Sultan to abdicate, May 29, 1876. Six days later Aziz was found in his kiosk in the palace gardens with the wrists slashed, bathed in blood and dead. "Suicide" was the news sent broadcast, but the world only smiled, for it knew the ways of the unspeakable Turk. Five years later Midhat Pasha and Mehemed Ruschdi were tried for murdering Abdul Aziz, and sentenced to death, but were finally exiled.

Alfonso of Spain, father of the present King, had a narrow escape. Ten months after his marriage to Mercedes she died, and left him, for the time at least, an inconsolable widower. After a period of mourning he returned to Madrid. The day was October 25, 1878, and the King was riding at the head of a cavalcade toward his palace. When in the Calle Mayor, a young fanatic drew a revolver and fired at the King's breast. Alfonso showed great coolness under the circumstances, and, without even turning his head, rode on. The assailant, Juan Oliva Moncasi, was executed a few days later.

SHORT OF MATERIAL.

The historical romances have exhausted about all the history on hand, and the authors will soon be obliged to make 90-day drafts on the future.—Denver Times.

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Delights of a Bohemian Life

"Some friends of mine are going to give a Dutch lunch and have kindly included me among the invited," said the Shoe Clerk. "It's going to be a regular bohemian time and I think I'll drop in for a few minutes. I believe I'd like to take a peep into the real bohemia."

"For a sweeping and comprehensive view of bohemia I don't know of a more commanding position than the Dutch lunch as given by the average husband and wife in their little home," replied the Inspired Idiot. "It makes the Latin quarter look like a meeting of the foreign mission sewing circle. All that is necessary to be a red-hot bohemian is to eat a few rye bread Swiss cheese sandwiches and drink a glass of half-warm beer. When your reputation for this gets noised around no Dutch lunch will be pulled off without your being at the head of the table. After that you will feel convinced that you are too bright a fellow to work in a shoe store.

"You'll be the first one on the scene, for it is all new to you and you are not overlooking any bets. While the host is hanging up your overcoat the hostess tells you to make yourself perfectly at home, as we are all bohemians and don't stand on formality. Then you take a seat in a corner while your friends go out and finish fixing the lunch. In an hour eight or ten couples whose married existence ranges from four to eight years are sitting around the parlor like clothing dummies making the bluff of their lives to do the bohemian act.

"You will wonder why your friends didn't announce that the funeral was to be private but that is because you are not onto the curves of bohemia. There is one gentleman present who enjoys the reputation of being a merry jester and a mad wag. He gets off a few original gags you heard at the 10-20-30 show the year of the big wind and the ladies declare he is just killing and that they haven't laughed so much since they can remember. Then one of the ladies, who the hostess quietly informs you 'is a regular cut up' begins a story. She prefaces it with the tip that she thought she would die a laughing when she heard Mrs. Whatthers name tell it. After she had talked about ten minutes she informs the audience that she can't remember how the story goes, but it was the funniest thing she ever heard. It is up to you then and you lose a button giving vent to hilarity. You are beginning to see the fascination bohemia has for the poor lobster who meanders along the tame pathway of life.

"You have been two hours in that chair in the corner and the palms of your hands sweat like an ice pitcher. Your natural inclination is to start a rough house but you don't know whether this is permissible in a gathering of true bohemians. Then the hostess invites everybody to come see her den. Now a den in the average house is about as useful as a wart. It consists of a horse blanket thrown over a wooden bench and a lot of sofa pillows pinned in a negligee position. On the wall is a pipe rack showing a half dozen friars immortalized in plaster of paris. Net cost 18 cents at a bargain sale. Overhead is a small wrought iron lantern of alleged Turkish ancestry that no human being on earth has ever been able to make burn. On the floor is a tabouret which looks like a piece of cornice work of the band stand in a county fairground. Everybody is invited to occupy the corner, with the information that it was made for 'George' to lounge and smoke in. An all-wise Providence has never yet made a man who could lounge in one of those dens without feeling that he is paying a fresh election bet. The women folk go into ecstacies over the den and wish they were men and could lie around in such a place and smoke. There isn't a man present you could bribe into being left alone in that den.

"In an unguarded moment somebody suggests that the young Mrs. Blank sing. Everybody knows that Mrs. Blank was originally designed for the stage. She herself admits this before you have talked with her five minutes. In answer to the general clamor she tears off a few bars of 'Those Goo-Goo Eyes.' Before she has finished the first verse you can understand why her husband looks upon life as a serious proposition. He works in a coal office and gets this 'Goo-Goo Eye' and 'I'm Living a Rag-Time Life' business until he has a curvature of the stomach. When he goes out of an evening he just belongs, while everybody wants to know why his wife doesn't join Roger Bros. and make a name for herself.

"After the deafening applause following the conclusion of Mrs. Blank's contribution to the evening's entertainment Mr. Sooner, who holds a responsible position in the bank, is prevailed upon to sing a solo. He confesses that he did not come prepared and goes to his overcoat and fishes out fifteen pieces of sheet music, from which he selects the latest success, 'Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep.' Mr. Sooner's intentions are entirely honorable, but as he begins to rock the cradle he swells up like a poisoned pup and you feel that life isn't worth living. But if you don't applaud you will prove that you do not possess your share of the prerequisites of living in bohemia is that you must cover your sorrows with a smile. Mr. Sooner responds to the vigorous encore with 'The Sexton,' which you haven't heard since the winter you had chilblains. Everybody says that Mr. Sooner has got Edouard de Reszke faded, which compliment he acknowledges by admitting that he isn't in good form tonight.

"The next number on the impromptu program is a reading of 'Curfew Shall Not Ring To-Night,' by Miss Hasbeen, who took a four weeks' course in the Delsarte system of expression. Miss Hasbeen enjoys the distinction of having recited the balcony scene in 'Romeo and Juliet' before Julia Marlowe, and was pronounced a howling success. Her father, who is superintendent of the corset department in a downtown store, could not stand the expense of further education, so Miss Hasbeen is now taking a course in shorthand and trying to stifle her ambition.

"At this point the Dutch lunch is announced and the bunch files out into the dining room. On the table is bohemia. While the hostess notifies everybody that 'we are bohemians' and that 'everything goes,' the host is out in the kitchen in danger of bursting a blood vessel trying to open the beer. The ladies drink lemonade and eat olives. There is a mixture that will cause any person to wonder if there is a hereafter. You are right in the heart of the capital of bohemia now, Mr. Shoe Clerk, and after you tuck away another cheese sandwich and a glass of beer you begin to feel real kittenish. You have played the lobster all the evening and that last glass of beer impels you to get on your feet and make this toast:

"'Here's to our host and hostess.
Long may they live and prosper.'

"Having delivered yourself of that original and well-worded sentiment you take your seat, feeling that you are a natural-born bohemian and you will quit your job in the morning."

"Wouldn't you advise me to go?" asked the Shoe Clerk.

"Certainly," responded the Inspired Idiot. "Then if you want to round out your evening in bohemia sit down and read the Dingley tariff law."—Chicago News.

Love Made Her a Baroness

This is the true story of the Denver baroness—once Miss Lillian May Langham, now the Baroness Freiherr Speck von Sternberg. It has been said that Miss Lillian May Langham is a native of Louisville, the daughter of Arthur G. Langham, an heiress to a vast wealth, a beauty of great brilliancy and a society belle of great prominence and popularity.

Miss Lillian May Langham is none of these things.

In the first place, she is not a native of Kentucky. She was born in San Francisco and she lived there until she was 10 years old, when she came to Denver with her parents to make her home here.

Her father is Charles E. Langham of this city, who is not a wealthy mine owner, but a traveling man for a New York clothing house, in modest circumstances and part proprietor of "The Palace," a small clothing store, vulgarly called a 'pants house,' on Champa street, near Sixteenth.

In the third place, Miss Lillian May Langham is not an heiress for her father is poor rather than otherwise, and her uncle, Arthur G. Langham of Louisville, though in comparatively easy circumstances, is a healthy young bachelor, with prospects of a long life and a family of his own before him to take care of his money.

In the fourth place, Miss Langham is not a beauty, either in face or figure, though her face has a certain charm, lent by the beauty of her soul to her rather plain features and she has been a cripple from birth.

In the fifth place, she is not a society belle because she has never been introduced and has never made any formal appearance in society anywhere. She has spent all her life in trying to find a cure for the painful affliction which has made her a dependent cripple since her birth.

In the first ten years of her life Miss Langham lived with her parents and her two little sisters, Grace and Marie, of whom the youngest, Marie, is now 15 years old, in San Francisco, where Mr. Langham was then connected with and traveling for a large clothing house. When Miss Langham was 10 years old her lameness grew so much worse that it seriously affected the general state of her health and her father and mother were advised to bring her to Denver.

Mr. Langham gave up his business and came here, where he started in anew. He took a flat for his family in the big, yellow apartment house on the corner of Race street and Colfax avenue, and here they lived for two years.

For the first year the little girl's health seemed to profit by the invigorating air, the bright sunshine and the dry atmosphere but towards the end of the second she again began to fade, and the parents were almost in despair.

They began to investigate all sorts of cures, and at last they heard of an almost certain remedy—not a cure, for there is no cure for her particular infirmity—which they could get for her in Paris. The trip and the remedy would both be expensive, but they decided to try them. They made many sacrifices, denied themselves every pleasure, but at last, with the help of the uncle in Louisville they raised the sum of money required and the mother and her three daughters set off for Paris.

They stayed there for five years. The child's health was benefited, her lameness—or at least the pain of her lameness—was alleviated and in 1898 they came back to America for a short visit during the holidays of the French convent school where the girls were completing their education.

They spent most of the holidays in Denver with Mr. Langham at his flat on Colfax avenue, but a part of their time they gave to Arthur Langham at his home in Kentucky. While there Miss Langham attempted to ride a horse and received a fall which seriously impaired the good results of her treatment abroad. She was forced to hasten her return to Paris to begin her course of strict treatment all over again.

In the spring of last year she was much better again and again she and her mother and sisters returned to America to spend the summer with Mr. Langham in Denver. They lived quietly for three months in their little flat and in the fall they went back to Europe.

On board the ship was the Baron Freiherr Speck von Sternberg, a distinguished German diplomate.

From the very first he seemed to have eyes for no one but the pale little American girl who sat patiently all day long in her steamer chair. He seemed to be always finding something to do for her and something to keep him near her. He read to her aloud in his deep German bass voice, he brought stools for her feet, cushions for her head, dainties to tempt her appetite and all the devotion of a warm German heart.

The girl was touched by his gentle attentions, but she could not believe that they were prompted by any feelings other than sympathy and pity.

The voyage ended and the Baron followed Miss Langham to Paris where in less than two months he told her of his love. At first she could not believe him, and then she refused to let him bind himself to her—a cripple—for life. He besought her not to banish him, and at last she yielded and promised to be his wife.

Preparations began at once for the wedding, which the Baron vowed should be an elaborate one.

Mr. Langham toiling hard in America, sacrificed all his time, pleasure and small luxuries to buy his daughter a suitable trousseau. Knowing that she would not return to America he gave up his house in Denver and went back to San Francisco, where he is now working hard at orange groves and the clothing business.

The wedding of Miss Langham and the Baron took place at noon at the fashionable church of St. George, Hanover square, London, which was filled with a great crowd of the smartest people in England. After the ceremony there was a great wedding breakfast, and then the young couple left for Italy, where they will stay until Christmas, when they will sail for India, where the Baron has been appointed German Consul-General at Calcutta.—Denver Evening Post.

Just a Dream of Christmas.

She had looked forward to Christmas so eagerly, not in the expectation of any particular gift, not for the sake of the home-going, but in the hope that it might bring about a reconciliation with him.

They had been estranged for nearly a year, quarreling over some trifling cause, their relation had drifted into a mere bowing acquaintance.

It was then she discovered that she loved him. Did he return it? She felt sure he did; it would be too cruel otherwise.

Why, in the old days, had he not shown it in a thousand ways—dear, tender ways, precious to recall. And still—but oh! it must be so; mere brotherly interest in a pretty typewriter did not demand so much. No, a deeper feeling alone could account for many things in the past. Like herself, though, he had let the silken thread that bound their hearts slip from his grasp, and being a man he was at a loss to regain it. Well, she would find her end to the thread, and embroider it into the prettiest smoking cap a man ever wore. Smoking was his one vice, and for the present he should be encouraged in it. There would be time enough to chide when the curtains in a certain cosy little home, that imagination pictured, became yellowed with smoke, and ashes burnt holes in the carpet. Laughter came at the thought.

Meantime, Christmas, dear, old Christmas, with its blessed opportunity for reconciliation, was at hand, and there was not a moment to lose. Velvet and embroidery silks must be chosen that very afternoon.

Happy in her determination and looking her best in the dark gray of a winter outfit, the prettiest typewriter in town stood for a moment on the landing to button her glove and encountered the boarding-house gossip. "A great string of people dispatched tonight," remarked the latter, pausing for breath in her ascent upstairs, and greedily scanning the columns of the "Evening News."

"Yes," said the Typewriter, smiling as if she had received the most lively piece of intelligence. "And is nobody matched?"

"Um, yes; there's one marriage notice. 'At the residence of the bride's mother, No. 7 Euclid Square, Burnside, on December 12th, by the Rev. Mr. Rix, Ernest D. Martin, to Harriet Bailey.' Bailey? I know that girl; she's not as young as she used to be, but she has money. I wonder if he's rich too?"

"No, I believe not," said the Typewriter, sweeping on down to the door. There was a strange numbness at her heart, and the air made her dizzy.

"It has grown too dusk to select shades this afternoon, anyway," she said to herself as she walked on mechanically.—By Florence Gertrude Ruthven in Nickel Magazine.

CHRISTMAS GIFT.

I.

Chris'mus gif', ol' moster! heah we is
In line.
All dese pickaninnies, f'um heah ter
dar, is mine!
Ain't no better tu'n-out in all de lan'
dan dis
Chris'mus gif', ole moster—Chris'mus
gif', ol' miss!

II.

Chris'mus gif', ol' moster, fer ever I'll
lamb,
En don't forgit dey mammy, en de ol'
man want his dram!
He ain't drinked none sence Chris'mus
a year ago f'um dis
Chris'mus gif' ol' moster—Chris'mus
gif', ol' miss!

III.

You 'member w'en de war wuz, en you
gone away ter fight,
En lef' de ol' plantation? Dar wuz
mo'nin' day en night,
W'en you kiss de li'l chillun, en march
awid sword en gun,
You tol' me ter take keer dem, en dat
dis what I done!

IV.

Ol' miss, she takin'-on so—ez lonesome
ez kin be
'Way up dar in de big house, wid de
chillun roun' her knee
A-cryin fer dey daddy—dem orphant
li'l' ones!
En dey can't see him yander, in de
black smoke er de guns.

V.

En w'en come you wuz wounded, en
come home f'um de fight,
De ol' man lif' you in his arms, en
nussed you day en night;
En still stay by you w'en dey say my
people's time wuz free
En dey follered Mister Sherman on de
big road ter de sea.

VI.

Chris'mus gif', ol' moster! De fiddle
gwine ter play
De ol-time Georgy breakdown, en
'Chillun, Cl'ar de Way!'
En you gwine ter see some dancin'
w'en I flings my foots—lak' dis'
Chris'mus gif', ol' moster—Chris'mus
gif', ol' miss!

—Leslie's Magazine.

DINING CAR MENU.

"The kitchen departments on railroad dining cars are run according to fixed rules," said an old Pullman conductor, "and nothing is left to chance or caprice. The cook is furnished with a manual giving explicit directions for the preparation of everything on the bill of fare, and he is held strictly accountable for any waste. He is even told how thick to cut the bread and how much butter to put on in case he is making sandwiches. Sometimes a hungry traveler who naturally wants big portions, thinks the man in the kitchen is trying to economize on him, but he may rest assured he is getting exactly what the law allows. The kitchens are stocked at regular intervals and a careful calculation is made of the exact number of portions in every article furnished. At the end of the run an inspection is made and the cook must account for everything, either in supplies or meal checks. The purchasing agents, who lay in the stock at important points, are exceedingly important members of the company's staff. They can easily render the dining service over the route profitable or the reverse, and something more than mere experience and intelligence is required to make a success of the job. The men who have done the best at it seem to be guided by a sort of instinct, but as a matter of fact they are continually studying the conditions of travel. They learn what the general run of their patrons like at certain seasons of the year and compile a curious sort of table of averages that they use as a basis in purchasing perishable stock, such a meats, fruits and fresh vegetables. There is a line in the Northwest that is known among the dining car men as the 'beefsteak route' on account of the extraordinary call for that particular article of diet, and I know of another that is nicknamed the 'oatmeal express' for similar reasons. The oatmeal express carries a good many ladies and children, and the beefsteak route is a favorite highway for drummers, so after all the explanation is simple enough. An expert stock purchaser can command a good salary."—From the New Orleans-Times Democrat.

Watch for the New Century.

When in the dim, gray Past shall rise
The morning of thy birth—
When thy first dawn steps from the
skies
Upon the hill of earth—
Shall waiting nations breathless stand
Oppressed with haunting fears,
Of what thou holdest in thy hand,
Thou coming Hundred Years?

Or shall a glad world welcome thee
With laughter and a song—
Thou unborn child of Destiny
Whose reign shall be so long?
Who knows?—we only know that thou
Shalt enter like a king
Into thy courts—that we must bow,
Whatever thou dost bring

What matter whether war or peace?
Thy heralds shall proclaim—
The story of the centuries
Is evermore the same!
Thy children years shall tell abroad,
Through all thy mighty span,
Naught but the Fatherhood of God—
The Brotherhood of Man.

—Jennie Betts Hartswick in the Independent.

Christmas Bells Peace Upon Earth.

Softly silvern, and golden clear,
The passing bells of the passing year,
Ring out' ring out' O chimes!
A knell for the rose, and the summer
dead,
For the lavish autumn full richly sped,
And the blossomy April times.

Lightly, featly, the swift days pass,
As shadows creep on the long green
grass
In time of the setting sun.
Shining it brought us, and frost and
rain,
Love, and leaving, and loss and gain—
The year that is almost done.

Softly silvern, O Christmas bells!
Your dinsome clamor or falls or swells
In a chorus richly ringing.
Hark! hark! It swells into upper air,
To join the stave, so fine, so rare,
The earth, the heavens are singing.

Richly silvern and high and far,
As the dazzling gleam of a falling star,
Hark to the angels crying;
"Peace upon earth! Good will to men!"
And bells from hamlet, plain and glen,
In high accord replying.

—Martha McCulloch-Williams in Leslie's Magazine.

ROMANCE.

My love dwelt in a Northern land.
A gray tower in a forest green
Was his, and far on either hand
The long wash of the waves was seen,
And leagues on leagues of yellow sand,
The woven boughs between!

And through the clear, faint, Northern
night
The sunset slowly died away,
And herds of strange deer, silver-white,
Stole forth among the branches gray;
About the coming of the light
They fled like ghosts before the day!

I know not if the forest green
Still girdles round that castle gray;
I know not if the boughs between
The white deer vanish ere the day;
Above my love the grass is green,
My heart is colder than the clay!

—Andrew Lang.

RHYMES OF THE DAY.

A Dumb Orator—
He feels his words in torrents come
When practicing his maiden speech;
Then stands before his audience dumb
And hears the fellows—"He's a peach."
—Chicago Times-Herald.

Next Morning—
"In business there's no success
For one who rrindks," he said;
"You re wrong," said Winks, "the man
who drinks
Is sure to get a head."
—Philadelphia Press.

Fortune's Haste—
At all our doors Dame Fortune's knocked,
'Tis said, some bright, sunshiny day.
But we are all too often shocked
To find she's knocked and run away.
—Chicago Record.

HUMOROUS CHRISTMAS VERSE.

Most of the writers of verses about Christmas contrive to get a few tears in with the descriptions of the festivities. The author of the immortal "Night Before Christmas" did not make that mistake, and neither has Miss Carolyn Wells, whose last book of rhymes, "Idle Idyls," will be found filled with delightful entertainment. One of the poems tells of "An Unorthodox Christmas," in the following manner.

"I went to spend the day with Rose,
and then
A Christmas greeting passed between
us two;
But 'twas not 'Peace on earth, good
will to men.'
We only said, 'Good morning,' 'How
dye do?'

"And then to her I offered smilingly
The present she expected me to bring.
There were no hanging hose—no Christmas tree—
The box was tied in paper with a
string.

"We didn't sit beside the yule-log's
blaze—
We just turned on the radiator's
steam;
And dinner, unlike those of storied
days,
Gave no plum pudding, but some
bisque ice cream.

"We didn't hear the church bells' solemn toll;
And when we had our Christmas
evening lunch,
We didn't have a steaming wassail
bowl,
But just a jug of smiple claret punch.

"We trampled on traditions, I suppose;
Yet one rite we observed with care—
but no,
Although I well remember kissing Rose,
It wasn't underneath the mistletoe."

That is good fun; but Miss Wells adds another which is real poetry, too, and a desirable verse to learn by heart. It is called "Christmas Eve," and an old fellow is soliloquizing.

"My childhood's Christmases each
brought to me
The wondrous glory of a Christmas
tree;
Now every year since I've to manhood
grown,
I buy a tree for children of my own.
And so to-night my mind looks back
and sees
Life a long avenue of Christmas trees."

The Christmas Pudding

Provident housewives are now preparing their Christmas plum pudding. Plum pudding is much improved by standing several weeks before it is used. An excellent receipt for Christmas pudding consists of three-fourths of a pound of suet chopped very fine. Mix with it while chopping a tablespoonful of flour; three-fourths of a pound of raisins, seeded; three-fourths of a pound of currants, three-fourths of a pound of sugar, three-fourths of a pound of fresh bread crumbs, the grated zest of one lemon, one-fourth of a pound of candied orange peel and citron cut into thin shavings, one-half teaspoonful each of ground cinnamon, cloves, nutmeg and allspice. Mix the dry materials together thoroughly, and then add six eggs, one at a time, and one-half cupful of brandy. Add another egg if too stiff and more bread crumbs if too soft. Wet a strong cloth in cold water, wring it dry, butter it and dredge it with flour. Turn the mixture into the center and draw the cloth together over the top, leaving room for the pudding to swell a little, and tie it firmly. Give it a good round shape. Put it into a pot of boiling water, having it completely covered with water. Cover the pot and boil for five hours. Do not let the water fall below the pudding, and in adding more let it be hot. After it is removed from the water let it rest in the bag ten minutes to harden a little. Then cut the string and turn it carefully into a dish. Before serving pour a little brandy, if you like, over the pudding, and touch a match to it just before serving.

Light Gymnastics

By this time the proud summer muscle gained by rowing, swimming and walking has begun to show itself in need of a toning up by light gymnastics pending the time when we shall be at out-door sports again.

Whichever our particular physical tendency may be, to grow too thin or too stout, a normal state or "happy medium" may be acquired by judicious exercise.

Too stout persons may use apparatus—dumb-bells, rope pulls, stools, etc., to advantage, but those who are working up tissue had better take exercise without these.

The average woman who finds herself growing stouter than comfort or aesthetic taste would permit has generally two points of attack—her chin and her hips. Exercises to reduce the double chin and the hip girth are much in demand.

A mild exercise for a double chin and one which if persevered in will successfully reduce it is dropping the head forward upon the breast then rolling it around upon the shoulders and back in a circular movement. This exercise should be taken from right to left then from left to right.

There are a number of good abdominal exercises. Two of these in particular, while generally quite harmless, are also effective. From a position lying flat upon the floor slowly raise both legs until the soles of the feet are parallel with the floor, then let them down again very slowly. The slowness with which this is done works the charm. Any stout person who has tried this will testify to the difficulty of doing it slowly at first, however. The tendency is to rush up the feet and let them fall as quickly, which will not do if strength and trimness is the desired result. The other exercise from the same position is to slowly rise in a sitting position and recline at full length again, all very slowly—as with the first one. Either of these exercises tried for the first time had better not be performed more than three times. The newly-awakened muscles next morning will tell the reason why.

Thinness is perhaps harder to remedy than the opposite trouble. However, moderate exercise and massage with sweet almond oil will effect wonders sometimes. A good exercise for filling out the chest is to take a deep, full breath down to the bottom of the lungs and up to the top, and retaining it count in a moderate tone as high as is possible to go until the breath gives out. With about the rapidity of waltz count to reach seventy is very good.

The following exercises are beneficial to almost any one toning and muscles and aiding the circulation.

In a good standing position, head up, chin in, shoulders back, hips back and toes out, extend the arms forward and parallel, then together move them upward, back, and down again, describing as nearly as possible a complete circle. Reverse this exercise, beginning the movement downward.

With the hands on the hips describe an imaginary circle in the air with the head, allowing the whole body to sway in the motion. With the same position describe a circle in imagination, using the center of the abdominal region as the center of action.

With arms up and knees held firm extend the arms downward until the finger tips touch the floor. The success of this exercise depends upon holding the knees unyielding. Some persons cannot reach the floor within a half a yard when first trying this exercise. For such it would be as well not to use it more than three times until it gets more familiar and easy.

All these exercises should be taken in a gymnasium suit or loose gown suited to the purpose, and in a well-aired room.

Some Ways of Br'er Fox.

I was once half jokingly assured by an old hunter that the red fox never ran; that he was blown along by the wind, and just used his legs to guide himself with, and observing a good many foxes, I confess I know of no active verb which adequately describes their movements. Even a greyhound is a clumsy, lumbering animal when compared with a fox. Not that a greyhound cannot cover more ground faster, but there is a certain lightness of foot in the wild creature which is not even suggested by any dog, unless it be a well bred and well trained collie. A puff of reddish smoke or a loose ball of tawny fur blown along close to, but not touching the ground, would suggest the movement of a red fox as nearly as anything I can think of.

Our early education concerning this animal usually begins with some nursery rhyme, in which "Reynard" figures as a poultry thief. In my own case, I remember, I was taught that

"A fox went out one winter's night,"

and that after an interesting series of adventures, in which he stole the "gray goose," and awakened the farmer's wife, he finally got back to his den, where

"He and his little wife ate the gray
goose up,
And the little ones picked the bones."

In this, as in many other nursery rhymes, there is as much truth as nonsense, for no one can say that the fox gets his information concerning the poultry yard at second hand. He studies the habits of the inmates perhaps more carefully than the farmer does. Particularly does he give attention to their bad habits. If some silly little duckling is fond of straying off, the fox knows it, and he won't forget that duckling. If some old fool of a hen thinks it smart to roost out side in a tree, instead of going into a coop, the fox will quietly put her on his visiting list, and some fine night when she has perched on a branch rather low, he will call around to see her. He can leap to a considerable height when he wants to, and even if he can't quite reach the hen, he will make her come blundering to the ground in the darkness. The fox cubs will be introduced to her later in the evening, probably, and she will never answer the roll call any more.

But he is very cautious when out on an expedition of this or any other kind, and the man who invented the expression "as cunning as a fox," knew what he was talking about. Reynard distrusts everything, particularly man and all his works. He will not even believe the unsupported testimony of one of his own senses. If his eyes tell that a certain thing is "safe," he must have the assurance of his nose and ears as well before he will believe it. This is why he is seldom caught in traps. He is caught this way, sometimes, but not often enough to warrant any one's sitting up to wait for him.

But the barnyard is only one of his many sources of food supply. He is very fond of wild mice of different kinds, rats, squirrels and rabbits. These he catches in various ways. Sometimes he lies concealed near the mouth of a woodchuck's or chipmunk's burrow and waits patiently until the proprietor puts in an appearance. At other times he scents his prey from a distance, and after following it up, after the manner of the pointer dog, suddenly leaps upon it. He prefers strategem to direct pursuit, but when he cares to be bothered with chasing anything, he can generally give it a pretty good run for its life.

He is a keen observer, too, and very little goes on around him that he does not know something about. As he passes through a meadow his quick eye marks the movement of each clump of grass and he makes a mental note of the cause of the movement. "That one was moved by the wind," he says to himself, "that was an earthworm"—"but that jumping suddenly sidewise and bringing his forepaws down close together was a mouse." And so, of course, it proves to be; he knew it before he jumped, just as well as when he wedged his sharp nose between his paws and gobbled up the luckless little rodent before it had time to squeak. He catches grasshoppers and crickets, too, by leaping upon them with his paws, and he sometimes rushes out into shallow water and seizes some wild fowl lying asleep on its surface.

While he shows great ingenuity in catching his prey, he shows still more in avoiding capture himself. In England, where fox hunting is perhaps the most characteristic sport of the people, there are innumerable stories of the art and cunning displayed by Reynard in outwitting the dogs. He frequently misleads them by doubling on his own trail, and in localities near the coast he will often travel for a long distance through the surf, which, of course, destroys the scent at once.

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THEATRICAL NEWS NOTES.

Alice Nielsen Coming —Orpheum Road Show Tonight.

Alice Nielsen, her great opera company, and her two famous operas, "The Fortune Teller" and "The Singing Girl," will be heard at the Macdonough theater on Monday and Tuesday evenings next. There will be but two performances. "The Fortune Teller," will be given on Monday night, and "The Singing Girl" on Tuesday night.

California may claim the credit for the discovery and early development of Alice Nielsen. Her first appearance in comic opera on the professional stage was made in Oakland when she was a member of the Burton-Stanley Opera Company. Later she went to San Francisco and appeared in subordinate capacities for a time.

Her beautiful soprano voice and her undoubted dramatic ability were not long in asserting themselves, and she soon appeared at the Tivoli in San Francisco. After an excellent experience there, she was engaged by the Bostonians, shortly became their leading soprano, and all of a sudden made an enormous hit as Yvonne in Victor Herbert's delightful opera, "The Serenade."

It was then predicted by those interested in theatricals that she would some day become a star prima donna. The prediction came true sooner than expected. A year afterwards Miss Nielsen made her stellar bow before a New York audience in another opera by Victor Herbert, entitled "The Fortune Teller." She was immediately accepted as an operatic star of the very first magnitude.

Since that time the little Western girl has completely conquered the entire country from New York to San Francisco. She has now been at the head of the largest operatic organization in the country for over two years, and in that time has produced two operas, "The Fortune Teller" being the first, and "The Singing Girl," another composition by Victor Herbert, the second.

The judicious management of Frank L. Perley provided the young star from the beginning with a supporting company that, from all accounts, is the superior in size and quality to any light opera organization in the country. The company as a whole is said to number over 100 people, and particular attention has been paid, it is claimed, not alone to the cast, but to the composition of the chorus, the selection of the orchestra and the ensemble work of the entire organization.

The supporting company is headed by the magnificent basso, Eugene Cowles, who was so many years with the Bostonians. Viola Gillette is the contralto, and Richie Ling, formerly with Lillian Russell, is the tenor. The fun is furnished by a trio of comedians, any one of whom would ordinarily be considered sufficiently capable to adequately sustain the leading comedy role of an opera. The comedians are Joseph Herbert, Joseph Cawthorn and John Slavin. May de Sousa, Eunice Drake, Winifred Williams, Billie Norton, George Tennery, Frederick Butler, and Harry Dale are also said to have congenial roles.

The operas themselves are spoken of by those who have heard them as being compositions of the most superior kind. "The Fortune Teller" is by Victor Herbert and Harry B. Smith. The book is said to be witty and humorous, and the music is described as being the very best work that has yet come from the pen of this composer. The theme of the opera is Hungarian, and throughout the score Mr. Herbert is said to have succeeded in maintaining the peculiar atmosphere of the Hungarian melody.

"The Singing Girl" is by Victor Herbert, Harry B. Smith and Stanislaus Stange. Its scenes are laid in Austria and musically and from a comedy point of view, it has been highly praised.

Miss Nielsen is accompanied by an orchestra of twenty instruments under the direction of Paul Steindorff and altogether it is promised that the operas will be presented on a scale of magnificence not attained by any other company in the country.

ORPHEUM ROAD SHOW.

One of the best entertainments ever given in Oakland will be the performance of the Orpheum Road Show at the Macdonough. The cast contains some of the most famous names in vaudeville. The show was got together by the Orpheum Circuit Company out of the best materials obtainable, and the Macdonough will doubtless be packed to the doors tonight, as the opportunity of seeing such stars does not occur very often. The artists on the program are the famous Severus Schaffer, the daring acrobats, Johnson, Davenport and Lorello; Louise Dresser and her "picks"; Bertie Fowler, who is a whole logist; Bertie Fowler, who is a whole show in himself; Weston and Herbert, intrumental musicians; the comiograph, and Will M. Cressy and Blanche Dayne, in Cressy's latest success, "In the Key of C."

YALE GLEE CLUB COMING.

The Yale University Banjo and Glee Clubs are due in Oakland Wednesday, January 2, and will give a concert that evening at the Macdonough. This will be rather a unique event and is the first time the sons of Eli have ventured so far West. The faculty has extended the vacation time sufficiently to enable them to take the California trip, and the announcement of their appearance in Oakland will bring joy to the student heart as well as to that of the alumni and all lovers of things collegiate and inspiring music. It is probable that a reception or tea will be given them in Oakland on the afternoon of the 2d, and after the concert in the evening there will be a "smoker."

THE DEWEY.

"The Sidewalks of New York" will be the Christmas week attraction at the Dewey. This is a fortunate selection for a holiday play, as it contains enough of sentiment and sensation to satisfy all tastes. It offers great opportunities for scenic display, and Manager Stevens promises to surprise his patrons by the realism of this feature of the performance. The Stevens' Stock Company will be materially strengthened for the holiday week, and some very clever specialties will add interest and variety to the production.

CENTRAL THEATER.

Belasco & Thall's new Central Theater, located on Market street near Eighth, opens tonight with an elaborate production of "The Heart of Maryland." This celebrated war play is one of the most successful of modern dramas, and will be given a strong cast by the Central Stock Company. Popular prices will be charged ranging from 10 cents to 50 cents. "Woman and Wine" will be the next attraction.

THE CALIFORNIA.

The ever popular "Ole Olson," with Ben Hendricks in the title role, has been doing an enormous business all the week at the California. New specialties have been added, and the production is better than ever. A strong feature is the Swedish Ladies' Quartet, which scored a pronounced hit. Tomorow afternoon "At the White Horse Tavern," a clean comedy from the German, will begin a week's run.

THE ALHAMBRA.

Tonight Broadhurst's "Why Smith Left Home" will begin a week's engagement at the Alhambra. This is one of the funniest of all farces, and as it will be produced by a good company, the Alahambra will doubtless be crowded all the week.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE.

"A Tale of Two Cities," with Landers Stevens as Sydney Carton, has drawn large houses all the week at the Grand Opera House. Monday evening will see the first performance of the great English military drama, "An Officer of the Second." The play will be cast to the full strength of the Oliver Leslie Company, and the production will be a notable one.

THE TIVOLI.

"Cinderella" at the Tivoli this week has been an unalloyed delight to the children, and it possess plenty of attractiveness for their elders, too, judging by the large attendance nightly. The stage pictures are singularly beautiful and the ballets and specialties are excellent. New features will be added, and the piece is in for a ong run.

THE ALCAZAR.

"Madame Butterfly" has had a successful three weeks' run at the Alcazar, and will be withdrawn Monday night to make way for the great comedy success, "Naughty Anthony," in which Blanche Bates made such a hit as the hosiery model in New York. The piece is a wild farce in which laughter reigns supreme, and it will be given a strong cast.

FRUITVALE

FRUITVALE, Dec. 22.—Diphtheria is prevalent. Three cases are receiving treatment in the family of W. A. Blore. Dr. E. S. De Puy reported the cases to the Health Office Thursday.

Mrs. Blum of Fruitvale avenue and Fourteenth street is quite ill.

Postmaster Lund did not show up at his office yesterday morning. He is sick with a severe attack of the grip.

James P. Sporel is visiting friends in town.

F. J. N. Ball has gone to Santa Clara to spend the holidays with his relatives.

ELMHURST.

ELMHURST, Dec. 22.—An "Old Clothes" party will be given by the Elmhurst Circle No. 460, C. of C. of A., on New Year's Eve., December 31st, in Red Men's Hall.

A. Pomes of Elmhurst is negotiating with Joseph Herrscher of San Leandro, with a view of opening a butcher shop in the Herrscher Block.

Motorman Shepler of the Oakland, San Leandro and Haywards Electric Line is quite ill.

Christmas Town Talk.

San Francisco has never put forth a finer holiday issue of a weekly paper than that which "Town Talk" has sent out this week. The publishers promised an exceptional Christmas number, and they have carried out their promise. Typographically, artistically, and from a literary standpoint the number is noteworthy. The contents include stories by Pierre Beringer, Eustace Cullinan, Fred S. Myrtle and the regular staff of the paper, a Parisian story translated by Beatrice Hastings, a magnificent poem by Louis A. Robertson, entitled "The Carol of the Cursed" and much clever miscellany of a holiday character, in verse, prose and dainty jokelets. The departments have not been neglected, and the "Saunterer" gives opinion on the von Schroeder case and other happenings.

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The circle is in a prosperous condition, and all the members are working in harmony for the veteran and his loved ones.

The circle was visited on the 19th inst. by Assistant Inspector Sister Abbie Mershon, past president of Seven Pines Circle, No. 3, who expressed great pleasure at the able exemplification of the work by the circle. She complimented the secretary and treasurer on the perfect condition of their books and records.

The work completed, all present were invited to partake of refreshments and the meeting closed with social chat and hearty good wishes for the prosperity of No. 22 for the new year.

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GEOMETRICAL THEOREMS.

"Famous Geometrical Theorems and Problems," with their history, by William W. Rupert, C. E., is part of Heath's mathematical monographs. Published by D. C. Heath & Co., New York.

CRAM'S MAGAZINE.

Cram's Magazine for December contains an interesting resume of history, geography and topics of the day. "The California Big Trees," by Charles A. Aaron, A. M., is given the leading place. Published by George F. Cram, 130 Fulton street, New York.

OVERLAND MONTHLY.

The Christmas number of the Overland Monthly is a very creditable one. "Famous Madonnas in California," by Eva V. Carlin, is the leading article, and the others are excellent. Overland Monthly, 5½ Kearny street, San Francisco.

MINING AND SCIENTIFIC PRESS.

The Mining and Scientific Press for December 15 is full of valuable articles to those interested in the subjects it is devoted. Published at 330 Market street, San Francisco.

LITERARY DIGEST.

The Literary Digest for December 8 and 15 is rich in articles that cover a wide field of great interest to thoughtful readers. Frank & Wagnals Company, 30 Lafayette Place, New York.

THE LIVING AGE.

The Living Age for December 15 has for its leading article an interesting precis of the Peking Gazette, by Dr. Morrison. The Living Age Company, Boston.

THE AMERICAN MOTHER.

The American Mother for December is filled with interesting reading pertaining to the home and family. The Allen-Publishing Company, Ann Arbor, Mich.

OFFICIAL RECORDS.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1900.

DEEDS.

Dec. 8, 00—Alice W. & Jos. G. Shobley to Thos. D. Carneal, Okd, Und ½ int NE Broadway and 13th st N 50 x E 100, lots 1, 2 and ptn lot 28 blk 191, Kellersberger's Map, U. S. I. R. S. $—, $10.

Dec. 20, 00—Murty & Margaret Sullivan to Mary Ann Vorpe, Okd, NE 36th and Grove sts N 124.37 E 25 S 126.77 W 25.115 to beg, being the W ptn lot 4 blk H, Apgar tct, $2.50, $2,300.

Dec. 18, 00—Equity B. & L. Assn to Anna C. Andrews & Elsie L. Howard, Okd, W Opal st 120 N Weston av or 38th st N 25 x W 118, lot 8 blk E, Broadway and Telegraph av Park tct, being a resub of blks A to E, Weston tct, $1, $10.

Oct. 21, 00—Mary Conboy (wdw) to Thos. J. Feeney, Okd, SE 22d and Filbert sts S 170 x E 16-4, ptn blk G, on Map of Northern Extn of Okd, subj to a mtge for $132, 50 cts, $10.

Dec. 12, 00—Herrman J. Sadler to Erwin Sadler, Bkly, Lot 15 blk A, and lot 8 blk C, Map of Ppty Bkly Hd Assn, 50 cts, $10.

Oct. 20, 97—John T. Stream or Strom to Marie Stream or Strom, Ala, W Park av 170-8 N San Jose av N 37 W 126-6 S 37 E 126-7 to beg, being the N 37 ft of sub A of lot 13 on Map of Alameda Park Hd, $—, Gift.

Dec. 8, 00—Bank of Livermore to Frank Silva, Mur'y Tp, 640 acres, being Sec 23 Tp 2 S R 1 E, being partly in Ala and Contra Costa Cos, $5.50, $5,500.

Nov. 26, 00—Manoel Louzo Figuiredo to Claus Reimers, Mur'y Tp, 17.38 acres beg at a pt where the line bet Secs. 2 and 3 Tp 1 S R 1 W intersects the middle of Co. road leading from Dougherty's Station to Haywards, th S 5.35 chs W 20.42 chs NE 14 chs SE 6.10 chs SE 16.57 chs to beg, $1, $1,000.

Dec. 21, 00—Mary E. & Harry Hutchinson to Lucie Meyer (wdw), Okd, W Adeline st 52-6 N 3d st N 27 x W 78-3 blk 477, Briggs tct, $1, $600.

Dec. 19, 00—Mark Parish admr Est. Chas H. Eastman to John Bayard Redfield, Okd, Lots 28 to 31 blk 670, Glascock tct, $1, $1,060.

Dec. 5, 00—S. F. & Oakland M. L. Assn to Henry P. Smith, Okd, E Vernon st 300 N Santa Rosa ae N 60 x E 132 being lot 18 and N½ lot 19 blk F, Stanford tct, $2, $10.

Dec. 20, 00—Bert & Johanna Schlesinger to Anna A. Lewis, Okd, S Middle or W-9th st 180 SE fm SE Peralta st th along line of middle or W-9th st 100, th SW 115 NW 100 NE 115 to beg, being lots 11 and 12 and E ½ lot 13, Map of Center St. Hd, $2, $10.

Dec. 21, 00—John R. Glascock to Maud L. Baker, Okd, Lot 19, Map of Glascock and Blow Temescal tct, 50 cts, $175.

Aug. 30, 00—Louisa Fromme wf August & Annie Silva wf Chas. to Henry A. Bauerle, Okd, N Grant av 660 E Telegraph av E 58 x N 115, being lot 70 and ptn lot 69 on Map of sub Mosswood tct, QCD, $—, $10.

Dec. 21, 00—Saml Climo (single) to Mary T. Lange wf F. W., Jr., Okd, E Chester st 240-0¾ S W-12th st S 31-11¼ x E 125, being lot 1 blk 557, Map of Chester and Center St. Lots, $1, $10.

Dec. 18, 00—Clara A. Ball to Fred W. Wille, Okd, All int in N 8th st 160 W Willow st W 28 N 93-5 E to a pt S 91-2 to beg, being lot 20 blk 687, Casserly tct, $1, $10.

Nov 5, 00—McCarthy Co (cptn) to John J. & Amelia Atkins, Bkly, Lots 1, 2 and 3 blk B, Christiania tct, $—, $10.

Dec. 12, 00—Emily B. Hopkins (wdw) to Melville C. Threlkeld, Bkly, NW Rose and Arch sts W 74.56 N 121.20 E 74.26 S 116.95 to beg, blk A on Map of Hopkins Terrace, $2, $100.

Dec. 18, 00—Eliza P. & Alfred S. Hammersley to Max W. Koenig, Bkly, S Harmon st 325 E Calais st E 25 x S 135, blk A on Map of Sub SW ptn plot 53, Peralta Ranch, 50 cts, $10.

Dec. 21, 00—Max W. Koenig to H. H. Brand, Bkly, S Harmon st 325 E Calais st E 75 x S 135 blk A, Same, $2, $10.

Aug 30, 00—Louisa Fromme wf August and Annie Silva wf Chas to Adolph H Bauerle, Bklyn Tp, all int in following—15.67 acres, beg at a pt in line of fence on NE line of County Rd at SW cor 5 acre tract of V A Torras by deed of Aug 28, 80 th SE 4.09 chs SW 5.81 chs SE 14.75 chs to SE bdry line of 101.83 acre tract of G H Fogg and R Dalziel by deed of Sept 28, 78, th NE 4.54 chs to center of creek th up the center of said creek to SE cor lds of V A Torras th NW 8.25 chs to beg.

Same to Same, excepting 1 acre conveyed by Louise Bauerle to John C Hofsas Dec 19, 95.

Same to Same, also ppty in Contra Costa and San Benito counties, Q C D $—; $10.

Nov 27, 00—J G and B Klumpke to Adolph H Bauerle extr Est Louise Bauerle, Bklyn Tp, Lots 3 to 8, 13, 14 and 15 Gardner tract, Q C D, 50 cts; $10.

Sept 13, 00—Emily A Dunn to Same, Bklyn Tp, all int 2 acres being Same, $—; grant.

Dec 4, 00—Chas M Yates to Citizens' B & L Assn, Ala, E Sherman st 67.31 S Pacific av S 33 x E 107 ptn blk 33 Map of Fitch Hd.

Same to Same, Ala, N Pacific av 116-8 E Sherman st E 33-1 x N 150 ptn blk A, on Map of 144 Lots in Page tract, $—; $10.

Dec 7, 00—C L Whitney to Mary Bartlett, Murray Tp, 27 1-2 acres being the Mountain View tract Town of Livermore, Q C D, $—; $1.

Dec 20, 00—Mary and F B Bartlett to Edwd H Love, Murray Tp, 20 acres N Pine st distant SW 14.28 chs from NW cor Pine and "L" sts th SW 20.45 chs NE 14.64 chs SE 16.26 chs SE 7.92 chs to beg ptn MountainView tract Town of Same subj to mtge, $2, $10.

Dec 20, 00—Same to Same, Murray Tp, 7.45 acres NW Pine and "L" sts 14.28 chs NW 7.92 chs SE 15.26 chs SE 2.52 chs to beg ptn Mountain View tct, Town of Livermore, $1; $10.

Dec 19, 00—Louise L Fath to H C Petry, Murray Tp, Lots 10, 11 and 12 blk 35, Town of Livermore, $—; $5.

MORTGAGES.

Dec 15, 00—Mary A Fletcher to Hibernia S & L Socy, Okd, NE 7th and Jefferson sts E 75 x N 50 being Lots 1 and 2 blk 71, Kellersberger's Map, 1 year, 7 1-2 per cent, $2,000.

Nov 26, 00—E A and Mary Girvin to Berkeley Bank of Savings, Bkly, NE Berkeley way and Grant st E 100-1 N 250 W 90-11 S 250 to beg Lots 29, 30, 31 and ptn Lots 28 and 32 Range 4 on Map of Ranges 3 and 4 Hardy tract, Nov 26, 01, $2,450.

Dec 20, 00—Elizth Conlin (widow,) Elizth Jr and Mary Conlin (both single) and Jas Conlin to David E Bortree, Okd, N W 22d and West sts W 25 x N 100 ptn Lots 9 and 10 blk B, Curtis and Williams tract, Dec 20, 01, ten per cent, $150.

Dec 15, 00—Maria and Manuel Botelho to John P Bento, Murray Tp, Lot 65 Nevis tract Town of Pleasanton, $100.

Dec 2, 00—Mary A and Leopold Vorpe to Murty Sullivan, NE 36th and Grove sts N 124.37 E 25 S 126.77 W 25.115 to beg blk H, Apgar tract, Okd, 8 per cent, $1,200.

Aug 31, 00—Thos J Feeney to Oakland Paving Co, SE 22d and Filbert sts S 170 x E 16-4 ptn blk G, on map Northern Extn of Okd, Okd, 1 year 8 per cent, $132.

Dec 18, 00—John G Brick to Antoine Borel, extn of 314 m (?) for 1 year from Jan 6, 01, at 8 per cent, S Encinal av 140 E Walnut st E 50 x S 140 blk I, lds adj to Encinal, Ala, $1,500.

Dec 20, 00—Jos and Magge Kubler to W G Schafer, 145 acres beg at a post in E line Co rd leading from Russell rd to Mt Eden ldg at NW cor lds of Nicolas Giddings estate th N 74.9 SE 9.94 SW 5.5 to beg, Eden Tp, 1 year 8 per cent, $1,200.

Dec 20, 00—Chas and Emma C Riesenweber to Micol Malvihill, lot 20 on map of Glascock and Blow Temescal tract, Okd, 2 years 10 per cent, $100.

Dec 14, 00—Frank Silva to Bank of Livermore, Sec 23 Tp 2 S R 1 E, contg 640 acres, Murray Tp, Dec 4, 01, 7 per cent, $1,500.

Dec 21, 00—Mary T and Fredk W Lange Jr to Granite M B & L Assn, E Chester st 240-0¾ S W-12th st S 31-11¼ x E 125 blk 557, map of Chester and Center st lots, Okd, 5 years 7 3-10 per cent, $1,000.

Dec 20, 00—Byron L and Alice C Davenport to Annie L Nickerson, N Lily st 100 W Canning st W 50 x N 100 blk K, Roberts and Wolfskill tract, Okd, 1 year 9 per cent, $400.

DEEDS OF TRUST.

Dec 11, 00—Margt A Given to Isaac L Requa and W W Garthwaite trs Okd Bank of Savings, NW 13th and Alice sts W 100 x N 50 blk 194, Kellersberger's map, Okd, $2,800.

Dec 8, 00—Milton S Eisner to C Z Merritt tr J Le Roy Nickel, E Adeline st 200 N W-10th st N 50 E 251 S 50-10 W 251 to beg lots 5 and 6 less 6 ft taken from W side lot 5 for widening Adeline st ptn Adeline Hd No 1, Okd, $2,250.

Dec 15, 00—H H and S A Brand to D W Loring and C F Rilliet trs Continental B & L Assn, S Harmon st 325 E Calais st E 75 x S 135 blk A on map of sub SW portion plot 53, Peralta Ranch, Bdy, $1,750.

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COMMISSIONER'S SALE.

S. HUFF, Plaintiff, vs. MARY JANE HUFF, executrix, etc., et al., Defendants. No. 16,237

Under and by virtue of an order of sale and decree of foreclosure and sale issued out of the Superior Court of the County of Alameda, of the State of California, on the 11th day of December, A. D. 1900, in the above entitled action, wherein S. Huff, the above named plaintiff, obtained a judgment and decree of foreclosure and sale against Mary Jane Huff, executrix of the estate of L. H. Huff, deceased, Mary Irene Webster and William G. Huff, defendants, on the 10th day of December, A. D. 1900, for the sum of twelve thousand three hundred and fifty-one and 35-100 dollars in United States gold coin, together with interest thereon from the date of said judgment, which said judgment and decree were on the 11th day of December, A. D. 1900, recorded in Judgment Book No. 39 of said court at page 463. I am commanded to sell those certain lands and premises situated, lying and being in the County of Alameda, State of California, and bounded and particularly described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at the point of intersection of the northeastern line of East Twelfth street (formerly Washington street) and the northwestern line of Ninth avenue (formerly Clay street), and running thence northwesterly along said line of East Twelfth street one hundred and fifty (150) feet; thence northeasterly parallel with Ninth avenue three hundred (300) feet to the southwestern line of East Fourteenth street (formerly Adams street), such southwestern line being that recognized prior to the widening of said street from sixty to eighty feet, thence southeasterly along said line of East Fourteenth street one hundred and fifty (150) feet to the northwestern line of Ninth avenue, and thence southwesterly along said line of Ninth avenue three hundred (300) feet to the point of beginning, being a portion of block No. 44 (forty-four), as per Higley's map of Clinton, of record in Liber "B" of Deeds at page 137, in the County Recorder's office of Alameda County. Together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining.

Public notice is hereby given that on

MONDAY, THE 7TH DAY OF J'NUARY, A. D. 1901,

At 2 o'clock P. M. of that day, in front of the Broadway entrance of the Court House of the County of Alameda, in the city of Oakland, I will, in obedience to said order of sale and decree of foreclosure and sale, sell the above described property or so much thereof as may be necessary to raise sufficient money to satisfy said judgment, with interest and costs, etc., to the highest and best bidder, for gold coin of the United States.

Oakland, Cal., Dec. 11, 1900.

W. S. HARLOW,
A Commissioner Appointed by Said Superior Court.

BUSH FINNELL, Attorney for Plaintiff, Claus Spreckels Building, San Francisco.

Probate Notice.

In the Superior Court of the county of Alameda, State of California.

In the matter of the estate of Catherine E. Hurd, a widow, deceased.

Notice of time set for proving will, etc.

Notice is hereby given, that a petition for the probate of the will of Catherine E. Hurd, a widow, deceased, and for the issuance to Frank M. Hurd of letters testamentary thereon has been filed in this Court, and that Monday, the 31st day of December, A. D. 1900, at 10 o'clock A. M. of said day, at the Court room of Department No. 4 of said Court, at the Court House in the city of Oakland, in said county of Alameda, has been set for the hearing of said petition and proving said will, when and where any person interested may appear and contest the same.

Dated, December 17th, 1900.

FRANK C. JORDAN, Clerk.
By D. A. SINCLAIR, Deputy Clerk.
JOHNSON & SHAW, Attorneys for Petitioner, 965 Broadway, Oakland, Cal.

Dividend Notice.

CENTRAL BANK, OAKLAND, CAL.

For the six months ending December 31, 1900, a dividend has been declared at the rate of three and twenty-five one-hundredths (3.25) per cent per annum on all term deposits, payable on and after January 2, 1901. Said dividend, if not called for, to be added to the principal and draw like interest from January 1, 1901.

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The annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Oakland, California, will be held on Tuesday, January 8, 1901, at 3:30 o'clock P. M., at the banking room, No. 1000 Broadway street, Oakland, Cal.

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ANNUAL MEETING.

THE UNION SAVINGS BANK, OAKLAND, CAL.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of The Union Savings Bank of Oakland, California, will be held at the banking house, southeast corner of Ninth street and Broadway, Oakland, Cal., on Tuesday, January 8, 1901, at 2 o'clock P. M.

A. E. H. CRAMER, Secretary.

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THE UNION SAVINGS BANK, OAKLAND, CAL.

A dividend has been declared to depositors for the six months ending December 31, 1900, at the rate of three and twenty-five one-hundredths (3.25) per cent per annum on all savings deposits, payable on and after January 2d, 1901. Dividends not called for are added to and bear the same rate of interest as the principal from January 1, 1901.

A. E. H. CRAMER, Cashier.

LEGAL

NOTICE.

State and County Taxes for the Year 1900.

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES FOR the year 1900.

To all taxpayers in the county of Alameda, State of California.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Tax Collector of the county of Alameda, State of California, is in receipt of the assessment book of said county of Alameda, and that in accordance with the provisions of Section 3746 of the Political Code of the State of California.

Notice is hereby given that the assessment book for State and county taxes for the year 1900, on all property within the county of Alameda, has been received by me, and that the taxes as shown by said assessment book are now due and payable at my office in the Court House of said county of Alameda, in the city of Oakland, county of Alameda, State of California, every day (except legal holidays) during office hours, after the second Monday in October, 1900, and as follows:

The taxes on all personal property secured by real property, and one-half of the taxes on all real property in the said county of Alameda, will be due and payable on the

SECOND MONDAY IN OCTOBER IN THE YEAR 1900,

At my office in the Court House of said Alameda county, situated in the city of Oakland, in said county, every day (not a legal holiday) during office hours as fixed by law, and will be delinquent on the

LAST MONDAY IN NOVEMBER, 1900,

At 6 o'clock P. M. of said day, and that unless paid prior thereto, fifteen per cent will be added to the amount thereof, and that if said one-half be not paid before the last Monday in April, 1901, five per cent will be added thereto.

And notice is further given that the remaining one-half of the taxes on all real property in said Alameda county for the year 1900 will be payable to the undersigned, Tax Collector of said Alameda county, as aforesaid, at the office of the Tax Collector, as aforesaid, on and after the first Monday in January, 1901, and will be delinquent on the

LAST MONDAY IN APRIL, 1901,

At 6 o'clock P. M. of said day, and that unless paid prior thereto, five per cent will be added to the amount thereof.

Notice is hereby further given that all taxes may be paid at the time the first installment, as herein provided, is due and payable.

And notice is hereby further given that in accordance with said Section 3746 of the Political Code of the State of California, and after the second Monday in October, 1900, all the taxes, whether first or second installment, before delinquency thereof, or, if delinquent, together with the percentage added thereto as is above set forth, may be paid to me at my office, as aforesaid, at any time during business hours, as aforesaid, and after said

SECOND MONDAY IN OCTOBER, 1900,

And upon such full payment being made, full receipts for the taxes, both first and second installments, will be given in accordance with law.

Dated at Oakland, California, this 8th day of October, 1900.

JAMES B. BARBER,
Tax Collector of the County of Alameda, State of California.

Probate Notice.

In the Superior Court of the county of Alameda, State of California.

In the matter of the estate of John Connell, deceased.

Notice of time set for proving will, etc., and application for letters of administration with will annexed.

Notice is hereby given, that a petition for the probate of the will of John Connell, deceased, and for the issuance to Julia Connell of letters of administration with the will annexed, has been filed in this Court, and that Monday, the 31st day of December, A. D. 1900, at 10 o'clock A. M. of said day, at the Courtroom of Department No. 4 of said Court, at the Court House in the city of Oakland, in the county of Alameda, has been set for the hearing of said petition, when and where any person interested may appear and contest the same, and show cause if any they have why said petition should not be granted.

Dated, December 7th, 1900.

FRANK C. JORDAN, Clerk.
By D. A. SINCLAIR, Deputy Clerk.
J. J. DWYER, Attorney for Petitioner, rooms 37 and 38, 7th floor, Mills Building, San Francisco, Cal.

Annual Meeting of Stockholders Union National Bank.

The twenty-sixth annual meeting of the stockholders of the Union National Bank of Oakland, California, will be held at the office of the corporation, northwest corner of Twelfth and Broadway streets, Oakland, on Tuesday, January 8th, 1901, at 3 o'clock P. M.

THOMAS PRATHER, President.
C. E. PALMER, Cashier.
Dated, Oakland Cal., Dec. 7th, 1900.

Notice of Sale of Pledged Personal Property.

Whereas, one Emily S. Smith heretofore, to-wit: on or about the 1st day of August, 1896, as security for the payment of her certain promissory note bearing date August 1st, 1896, made and given by her to Anson Barstow, deposited and pledged with said Anson Barstow a certain certificate of stock described as follows, towit: Certificate No. 6 of the capital stock of the Victoria Gold Mining Company for ten thousand (10,000) shares of the capital stock of said company of the par value of $5 per share, and standing on the books of said company in the name of Emily S. Smith, trustee, and

Whereas, default has been made in the payment of the principal sum mentioned in said promissory note, and the same is now due and unpaid:

Now therefore public notice is hereby given that the said Anson Barstow will, on Saturday, the 1st day of December, 1900, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon of that day, at the auction sales room of M. Marcuse, No. 918 Broadway street, in the city of Oakland, county of Alameda, State of California, sell at public auction, by and through M. Marcuse, a duly licensed auctioneer, the above described pledged personal property, and being 10,000 shares of the capital stock of the Victoria Gold Mining Company (a corporation), represented by certificate No. 6, standing on the books of said corporation in the name of Emily S. Smith, trustee.

Terms of sale: Cash in gold coin of the United States, payable at the fall of the hammer.

Dated, November 21st, 1900.

ANSON BARSTOW, Pledgee.
MAX MARCUSE, Auctioneer.

Order to Show Cause.

In the Superior Court of the county of Alameda, State of California.

In the matter of the termination of the life estate of Laura Annetta Galigher.

To all persons interested in the following property:

Blocks twenty (20) and thirty-one (31) in Brooklyn Township in the county of Alameda, California, of the lands of the Fitchburg Tract therein.

You are hereby notified that a verified petition has been duly filed in this court by Mary L. Jackson setting forth that Laura Annetta Galigher, who held a life estate in the above described property, died on the 19th day of November, 1900, and praying for a decree terminating the said estate by reason of her death; and that on the tenth day of January, 1901, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the courtroom of Department 4 of said Superior Court of Alameda county, in the Court House in the city of Oakland, Alameda county, California, the hearing of the said application of Mary L. Jackson for a decree terminating the life estate of Laura Annetta Galigher by reason of her death will come on for hearing.

And you are hereby required to appear at the said time and place and show cause, if any you have, why the said application should not be granted and a decree made accordingly.

Dated December 17, 1900.

[Seal.] FRANK C. JORDAN,
Clerk of the county of Alameda and ex-officio Clerk of the Superior Court of the county of Alameda, California.
By D. A. SINCLAIR, Deputy Clerk.
WAL J. TUSKA, Attorney for petitioner, Safe Deposit Building, No. 328 Montgomery street, San Francisco, Cal.

CHRISTMAS MUSIC

The various churches in Oakland have arranged a fine musical program for the Christmas services to morrow. The programs are as follows:

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

EVENING SERVICE.

Music for this service taken from Handel's "Messiah," consisting of four solos and four choruses.

EVENING SERVICE.

Chorus—"Sing O Heavens" .....Tours
Baritone Solo—"The Star of Bethlehem" .....Adams
Chorus—"O Sing to God".....Gounod
Contralto Solo—"Hear Ye" ..... Beaumont
Chorus—"Christmas" ....Shelley
Tenor Solo and Chorus—"Noel"....Adams
Soprano Solo—"Hail Christmas Morn" ..... Marzo
Violin Obligato by Mr. Stewart
Baritone Solo and Chorus—"Nazareth" ..... Gounod
Chorus—"Hallelujah" ..... Beethoven
Mrs. Carrie Brown Dexter.....Soprano
Mrs. Grace Morle Dickman..Contralto
Mr Algernon Aspland..... .Tenor
Mr. Clement Rowlands .....Bass
Chorus of fifty voices.
Orchestra of eight pieces, with Mr. Alex Stewart, first violin.
Miss V. de Fremery.....Organist
Mr. C. P. Rowlands.....Choirmaster

ST. JOHN'S.

Following is the order of services for Sunday next and for Christmas Day: Sunday, December 23, Holy Eucharist, 7:45 a. m. Morning prayer, 11 a. m. Choral Eucharist, 12 noon. Sermon by the Rector.

CHRISTMAS DAY.

St. John's Church will hold high festival on Christmas day. Many are assisting in the very elaborate decorations of evergreens, flowers and lights, which will deck the church. A cordial invitation is extended to all our citizens to come and hold this festival with us.

The following is the order of service: Plain celebration of the Holy Eucharist, 7:30 a. m., followed by a High Celebration of the Holy Eucharist and sermon at 10:30 a. m. The choir will render special Christmas music under the direction of the organist and choirmaster, Jno de P. Teller; eucharistic music being Stainer in "F" old Christmas hymns and carols interspersing the service. The Sunday school will hold its Christmas festival on Saturday, January 5th for the infant class at 3 p m. and older scholars at 7:30 in the evening. Arrangements are in the hands of a committee appointed by the Rector. All parents are invited to accompany their children.

ST. PAUL'S.

The music at St. Paul's Episcopal Church for Christmas morning at 10:30 o'clock is as follows.

Venite ..... Robinson
Gloria Patri ..... Robinson
Te Deum ..... Perry
Jubilate ..... Sullivan
Kyrie, Gloria Tibi ..... Woodward
Anthem—"Sing, O Heavens"..... Tours
Offertory Solo—"Hark, What Mean Those Holy Voices"..... Hawley
Miss Beulah George
Presentation of Alms, Old Hundred
Sanctus, Agnus Dei ..... Woodward
Mr. Arthur Fickenscher ..... Organist
Mr. Edwin Dunbar Crandall..Choirmaster

CENTENNIAL PRESBYTERIAN.

At the Centennial Presbyterian Church Christmas services will be held in the morning at 11 o'clock. In the evening there will be a service for children and young people, to which all are invited. Rev C. R. Stone will preach both morning and evening.

MORNING SERVICE.

Organ—Allegro ..... J. Wiegand
Doxology.
Anthem—"Sing, O Sing, This Blessed Morn" ..... Mr. Evans
Hymn—"Joy to the World."
Scripture Lesson.
Anthem—"Messiah is King".....Ashford
Invocation.
"While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks" ..... Sterns
Trio of ladies' voices.
Hymn—"St. Agnes"
Offertory—"A Christian Lullaby"—Quartette ..... Carl Pflueger
Sermon
Anthem—"And There Were Shepherds" ..... J. A. Parks
Hymn—"Jesus Shall Reign."
Organ—"Marche Romaine" ..... Gounod
The following choir will render the music.
Soprano—Miss Annie Moir, Miss May B. Craff, Miss Nettie I. Camp, Miss Lizzie Moir.
Alto—Mrs. Woodside, Mrs. Kate Hicks.
Tenor—Mr. Chandler Vose, Mr. Herman Vockl, Mr. L. M. Fowler.
Bass—Mr. Chester McClain, Mr. Milford Brandsford.
Miss Ida G Williams, organist

FRUITVALE CHURCH.

Ward Memorial, Fruitvale (Congregational), Rev. Wm. E. Golding, pastor.
11 a. m., Special Christmas Sermon—"The Divine Daybreak."
Quartette with organ, violin and triangle accompaniment.
"Sweet Babe of Bethlehem".....Werner
Christmas Anthem in E flat....Millard
Quartette—"Bethlehem" ..... Bartlett
Contralto Solo—Nazareth (in E flat) ..... Gounod
Mrs. M. Franck.
12:30—Special Christmas Exercises by the Sunday School—"The King Cometh."
Parents and friends especially invited to the Sunday School service

FIRST LUTHERAN.

The following Christmas music will be given at the First Lutheran Church (Grove and Sixteenth streets) Sunday next. Services morning and evening.

Te Deum in F.....Kotzschmar
"And There Were Shepherds.....Parks
"Glory to God in the Highest"..Underhill
"Shout the Glad Tidings".....Avison
Contralto Solo—"The Lord is My Shepherd" ..... Bennett
Mrs. Blake Alverson.
Duet—"Wake Up My Glory"..... Millett
Mrs. Alverson and Miss Elsie May Hunt
Christmas Hymns:
"Hark! What Means Those Holy Voices."
"Hark! Hark! the Notes of Joy."
"Come Hither ye Faithful."
"Calm on the List'ning Ear of Night."
"Angels from the Realms of Glory."
Organ numbers.
Pilgrims Chorus ..... Wagner
"And the Glory of the Lord"....Haydn
"March of the Priests".....Mendelssohn
"Andante in G" .....Batiste
Members of the choir:
Soprano—Mabel E. Shaw, Elsie May Hunt, Mrs. M. J. Case.
Alto—Mrs. Blake Alverson.
Tenor—H. A. Crandell.
Bass—George A. Flick, John C Walling.

SECOND CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

Organ prelude; invocation; hymn No. 60; responsive reading; Scripture reading; anthem choir, "Oh How Excellent," O. S. Grinell; prayer; hymn No. 161; offertory; sermon, subject "Christmas Joy", anthem, choir, "There Were Shepherds," C H. Gabriel; notices; hymn; benediction.

Evening—Organ prelude; doxology; invocation; hymn No. 1; Scripture reading; anthem, choir, "The Birth of a King," W. L. Sudds; prayer; solo, selected; notices; anthem, "Hark What Means Those Holy Voices," P. W. Westoff, address, "Music in the Sanctuary"; hymn, Ortonville"; offertory; anthem, "Hallelujah Chorus"; benediction. Mr. W. S. Jones, choristor; Mrs. J. W. Phillips, organist.

TENTH AVENUE BAPTIST.

Rev. C. M. Hill, pastor.

Morning—
"Glory Be to God".....Cranmer
"O Sing to God" (Noel).....Gounod
"O Holy Night" .....Adam
Hymns—"Joy to the World," "Hark the Glad Sound" .....
Evening—
"See Now the Altar" .....Faure
"There Were Shepherds".....Vincent
"Nazareth" ..... Gounod
Choir—
Mr. M. O. Vesper.....Director
Miss Ida Fording.....Organist
Quartet—
Mrs. Minnie Kempe Henderson.... .....Soprano
Miss Belle McCurrie.....Alto
Mr. E. T. Taylor.....Tenor
Mr. A. C. P. Read..... .....Bass
And chorus of forty voices.

FIRST UNITARIAN.

Sunday morning music—
Soprano solo, "Christmas Morn," words by Mrs. Margaret Cameron-Smith, set to music by Mr. D. P. Hughes, will be sung by Mrs. Charles Poulter.....
Christmas anthem, "Arise, Shine"..... .....By F. C. Maker
The tenor solo by Mr. H. D. Hunter. From an unfinished oratorio by Mendelssohn called "Christus."
Soprano recitative, "When Jesus Was Born in Bethlehem," etc...
Trio, male voices, "Say, Where is He Born, the King of Judea," etc.
Chorus, "There Shall Be a Star From" .....

SWINDLERS GO TO PENITENTIARY

Forgers of Railroad Passes are Properly Punished.

Two swindlers of railroad companies by means of forged passes, and one swindler of manufacturers by the use of the mails, were sentenced to the penitentiary from Chicago yesterday.

Gilbert E. Jones and John H. Jones, the wholesale forgers of railway passes, who were arrested when about to leave Chicago a few weeks ago, pleaded guilty of forgery before Judge Tuley, and a few minutes later were sentenced to Joliet for an indeterminate term. Although the men were glad to plead guilty without troubling the prosecution to present its evidence, they were not willing to tell the extent to which they had defrauded the railroads.

A few facts about their operations were drawn from the men, but no connected story was told by them. The amounts of which the railroads have been defrauded by them run into the thousands of dollars, and railroads throughout the country have been victimized, but no definite idea of the extent of the operations can be secured. In addition to the forging and selling of employes' passes, for which the men were arrested, they had another method of obtaining transportation. They would present to the passenger agent of a railroad a forged letter from the head of another road, asking for trip passes for two employes of the foreign road. When this letter was honored by the issuance of the requested passes, the pasteboards would be promptly sold to a scalper. Meiers told of the getting of six return passes to important Western points in this manner. They were sold to Bill Nye, a Chicago scalper, for $210, and were recovered from him, after the arrest of Meiers and Jones, by the railroads interested.

Meiers and Jones worked in one city after another through the country, and it was due to the vigilance of Central Passenger Association officials, who were on the lookout for them, that they were caught when they appeared here. They ordered bogus autograph stamps from A. W. Martin & Co., makers of rubber stamps, who reported the order to the Passenger Association. The forgers depended on the possession of false stamps and of paper and passes printed by themselves for their success.

FIVE INDICTMENTS.

There were five indictments against the men, but when they pleaded guilty to the charge of forging a pass over the Norfolk and Western the other indictments were dropped.

Since the arrest of the pair it has been learned that Meiers has a criminal record. His real name is P. N. Van Sickel, his home is in New Lexington, Ohio, and he was formerly a Wagner car conductor. He was convicted a year ago in Reading, Pa., of obtaining employment by means of forged letters and served a sentence of three months in the Berks county jail. He was also convicted last May in New York City of forging the name of L. E. Rossiter, president of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company, for which he served a short time in the King's county jail. He was at the same time indicted for another forgery in New York, but escaped through a legal technicality.

The men were prosecuted by T. E. Brobelt, special agent of the Central Passenger Association; Joseph J. Doran of Philadelphia, general solicitor of the Norfolk and Western, and John H. Coulter of Chicago were the attorneys for the railroads, and Assistant State's Attorney Olsen appeared for the state. The witnesses heard were L. E. Johnson of Roanoke, Va., general manager of the Norfolk and Western; J. C. Moorhead of Cleveland, Ohio, general manager of the Erie, and A. L. Bliss, Cleveland, Ohio chief clerk of the Nickel Plate.—From the Chicago Inter-Ocean, November 28th, 1900.

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Now Clarify All Milk They Dispose Of.

We wish to call the attention of the milk users to the fact that we are now clarifying all milk handled at our creamery.

This new process of purifying milk by centrifugal force is acknowledged to be in advance of anything now known.

Centrifugalized whole milk will afford every advantage of pasteurized (or in any, but very extreme cases) of sterilized milk, with none of the disadvantages accompanying the use of these high temperature processes. It is a well-known fact that heating of this character necessarily destroys much of the nutritive qualities of milk as well as makes it more hard to digest, and gives the milk a disagreeable flavor.

On the other hand clarification takes place at a low temperature, removing all harmful bacteria fibrous matter and sediment that no system of filtering can accomplish.

Clarified milk is pure, clean, wholesome, easily digested and of delicious flavor. It will raise its cream quicker and keep sweet longer.

If this is not a matter of health with you let it be one of pleasure. A taste of clarified milk will convince you 'tis the best.

NOW MISS ROCKEFELLER WAS CURED.

Hearing Restored By Insertion of Gold Plates.

Vienna Doctor Gives Details of a Triumph of Science.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—A dispatch to the World from Vienna says:

The first details of the treatment of Miss Alta Rockefeller, daughter of John D. Rockefeller, the American multi-millionaire, for deafness, by Dr. Isador Muller, have been made public. In a lecture before the Society of Physicians, Dr. Muller said:

"When Miss Rockefeller's case was brought to my attention it was so grave that all known methods had been tried unavailingly. I was forced to invent new methods, which have fortunately succeeded. These were two in number.

"The first was to introduce a small gold plate into the ear, fashioned into the required shape. This was placed between the ear drum and the chain of small bones which transmit the vibrations to the internal ear. This improved the patient's hearing so much that she could hear the ticking of a watch, something she had not heard for years.

"The second new method was to replace the destroyed portions of the tympanum or ear drum by myringoplastic means. Here again I inserted small gold plates. This was tried only after every known method had been used in vain.

"Two months ago the patient came to Vienna for the continuation of her treatment, which I have now carried to an unexpected point of success."

PRODUCE MARKET.

SPOT WHEAT—Shipping, 96½@97½c, milling, $1@1 02½.

BARLEY—Feed, 75c for bright, 72½c for No. 1, 67½@70c for off grades, brewing and shipping grades, 77@82½c, Chevalier, nominal.

CORN—California yellow, $1.17½; white, $1.10; Eastern yellow, $1 15; Eastern white, $1.10; Eastern mixed, $1.12½ per ctl

OATS—White, $1.30@1 50, surprise, nominal; red, $1 27@1 40 for feed and $1.25@1 40 for seed; gray, nominal, black for feed, $1 15@1 20, for seed $1.25@1 30 per ctl.

RYE—85@87½c per ctl.

BUCKWHEAT—Quoted at $1.75@2 per ctl

FLOUR—California family extras, $3.25@3 50, usual terms, bakers' extras, $3 00@3 25, Oregon, $2 75@2 85 per bbl for family and $2 75@3 for bakers', Washington bakers', $2 75@3

BRAN—$14 50@15 per ton.

MIDDLINGS—$16.50@19.50 per ton.

FEEDSTUFFS—Rolled barley, $16@17 per ton, oilcake meal at the mill, $34@36; jobbing $36 50, cocoanut cake, $17@18 cornmeal, $26@26 50, cracked corn, $26 50@27, mixed feed, $18@16.

HAY—Volunteer, $8@8, wheat, $11@13 50, wheat and oat, $10@12 50; oat, $9@12, clover, nominal; alfalfa, $8@9 50, barley, $7.50@9 50 per ton.

STRAW—37@47½c per bale.

meal, $26@26 50; cracked corn, $26 50@27; $1 35@1 50, large white, $1 60@1 75, pink, $2 10@2 15; red, $2 75@3, blackeye, $3, lima, $3 25@3 40; pea, $1 25@1 50; red kidneys, $3 75@4

SEEDS—Brown mustard, nominal; yellow mustard, nominal; flax, $2 50@2 75, canary, 3½c per lb for California and 4c for Eastern; alfalfa, 7½@9½c, rape, 2½@3c; hemp, 4@4½c; timothy, 6@7½c.

DRIED PEAS—Niles, $2@2 50; green, $2 70@3; blackeye, nominal.

ONIONS—$1 60@1.90 per ctl; cut, $1@1.25 per sack

POTATOES—River reds, 75@85c; burbanks, 35@50c for rivers and $1@1.25 for Salinas and 50@60c for Oregon; sweets, 40@60c for river and 75@10c for Merced.

VEGETABLES—Green peas, 8@10c per lb, string beans, 25c; limas, nominal, cabbage, 50c; tomatoes, $1.50@2 for Los Angeles; egg plant, Los Angeles, 10c per lb; green peppers, Los Angeles, 2 5/16c per lb; dried peppers, 9@11c; dried okra, 10@15c per lb; carrots, 50@75c per sack; summer squash, $1 50 per box for Los Angeles; garlic, 4@6c per lb; hubbard squash, $12@15 per ton; cucumbers, 75c; mushrooms, 50@75c per lb.

POULTRY—Live turkeys, 13@14c for gobblers and 12@14c for hens; dressed turkeys, 13@16c; geese per pair, $1 50@2; goslings, $1.75@2; ducks, $4@4 for old and $4 50@6 for young; hens, $3@5; young roosters, $4 50@6, old roosters, $4@4 50; fryers, $4@4 50, broilers, $3.50@4 for large and $2@3.50 for small; pigeons, $1 per dozen for old and $2@2.25 for squabs

GAME—Quail, $4@4 25 for valley; mallard, $3; canvasback, $3; spring, $2@2.50; teal, $1 25@1 50; widgeon, $4@1.25; small duck, $1 black duck, $1.25, gray geese, $3; white geese, $1@1.50, brant, $1.25@1 50 for small and $1.75@2 for large; honkers, $1 50; English snipe, $1.75@2; jack snipe, $1 50; hare, $1.25; rabbits, $1.25@1 50 for cottontail and $1 for brush, doves, 6 @75c per dozen.

BUTTER—Creamery—Extras, 27c; firsts, 25c; seconds, —.

Dairy—Extras, 23c; firsts, 21c; seconds, 19c; store, 15c.

Storage—Extras, 22½c; firsts, 21c; seconds, 20c; dairy extras, 20c.

Pickle—20c per lb.

Keg—20c per lb.

CHEESE—Fancy, full cream, 13c; choice, 11c; common, nominal; Young Americas, 13½c; Eastern full cream, 15@16½c per lb

EGGS—California ranch—Selected white, 35c; mixed colors, 32½c per dozen.

California Gathered—Fancy, 30c; standard, 28c; seconds, 24c.

Storage—California fancy, 25c; standard, —; Eastern fancy, —; standard, 23c; seconds, —

Eastern—Fancy, 25c; standard, —; seconds, —.

APPLES—30@60c for small and 65c@$1 for good to choice; Spitzenbergs, $1@1 75; Oregon Spitzenbergs, $1@1 25; Ridy apples, $1.75@3 per box.

PEARS—25@$1 50 per box.

CRANBERRIES—Jerseys, $12; Wisconsins, $13 50, Cape Cod, $14 per barrel; Coos Bay, $2 50@2.75 per box.

PERSIMMONS—40@50c per box.

CITRUS FRUITS—Navel oranges, $1@2.50; seedlings, 75c@$1 50; tangerines, 75c@$1; Japanese mandarins, $1@1 25; lemons, 25c@$1.25 for common, $1.50@2 50 for good to choice; grape fruit, 75c@$2; Mexican limes, $4@4 50; California limes, 25@35c; bananas, $1@2 per bunch; pineapples, $1@2 per dozen

BEEF—7@8c per lb for steers and 6@7c per lb for cows.

VEAL—Large, 8@9c; small, 9@10c per lb.

MUTTON—Wethers, 6@6½c; ewes, 5½@6c per lb.

LAMB—Spring, 10@10½c per lb.

PORK—Live hogs, 5½c for small, 5¼c for medium and 5¼@5½c for large; stock hogs and feeders, 5½@6c; dressed hogs, 7½@8½c.

SHIPPING.

STEAMERS TO ARRIVE.

Victoria, Oyster Harbor.....Dec. 22
San Blas, Nanaimo.....Dec. 22
Robert Dollar, Seattle.....Dec. 22
America Maru, China and Japan...Dec. 22
Pomona, Humboldt .....Dec. 22
Arcata, Coos Bay.....Dec. 23
Senator, Victoria and Puget Sd....Dec. 23
Queen, San Diego.....Dec. 23
Bonita, Newport .....Dec. 24
Alameda, Sydney and way ports....Dec. 24
Washtenaw, Tacoma .....Dec. 24
Robert Dollar, Seattle.....Dec. 24
Grace Dollar, Grays Harbor.....Dec. 24

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STEAMERS TO DEPART.

Point Arena, Point Arena.....Dec. 22
Umatilla, Victoria & Puget Sound.Dec. 22
Eureka, Humboldt .....Dec. 22
Rainier, Seattle & New Whatcom. Dec. 22
Santa Rosa, San Diego .....Dec. 22
Nome City, Seattle.....Dec. 23
Fulton, Astoria and Portland .....Dec. 23
Nekoma, Hamburg and way.....Dec. 23
Newburg, Grays Harbor.....Dec. 24
Pomona, Humboldt .....Dec. 24
Rival, Willapa Harbor.....Dec. 24
G Dollar, Gray's Harbor. .....Dec. 24
Columbia, Portland .....Dec. 24
R. Dollar, Seattle and Tacoma.....Dec. 25
Bonita, Newport .....Dec. 25
Arcata, Coos Bay.....Dec. 25
Zealandia, Honolulu .....Dec. 26
Queen San Diego.....Dec. 26
Rival, Willapa Harbor.....Dec. 27
Grace Dollar, Grays Harbor.....Dec. 26
Senator, Seattle and Alaska.....Dec. 26
State of Cal., Vic and Puget Sd.....Dec. 27
R. Dollar, Seattle and Tacoma.....Dec. 27

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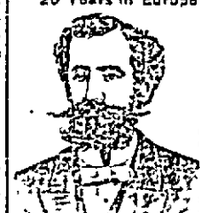

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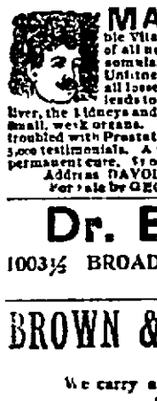

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